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This annual report on Tennessee state courts for the calendar year of 1980 has been prepared by the Office of the Executive Secretary to the Supreme Court pursuant to *Tennessee Code Annotated*, Section 16-3-502(3). Contents include the work of the Executive Secretary's Office and caseload data for the appellate and trial courts.

The reader should recognize that the filing and disposition figures in this report cannot, and should not, be viewed as a complete measurement of the judicial workload carried by any given judge in any given court. The sheer weight of numbers is not necessarily indicative of the effort a judge has put forth or of the hours he has expended in performing the duties of his office.

For example, a judge might spend a week or more presiding over a jury trial where a defendant is charged with first-degree murder. In that same week, another judge might hear more than a hundred uncontested divorces, adoptions, or cases where the charge is minor, the jury trial is waived, and the plea is guilty. In this example, the first judge is credited for the disposition of one case while the second judge is credited with the disposition of more than a hundred cases. Each judge, however, has performed the duties of his office and fulfilled the judicial needs of the citizens of Tennessee. Therefore, this report does not undertake to evaluate which judge has rendered the greater service.

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Report from the Executive Secretary

The purpose of the Executive Secretary's Office, now beginning its 17th year of operation, is "...to assist in improving the administration of justice in Tennessee..." (T.C.A. 16-3-801). We note below the highlights of this responsibility in 1980.

Federal funds from the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration continued to assist this office in carrying out its objectives. Seminars were again held for the Tennessee Judicial Conference, the Court Clerk's Association, and the State Court Reporters.

The Judicial Planning Committee lent its support and advice to the Tennessee Law Enforcement Planning Agency on the allocation of federal funds for improvement of court operations and efficiency of clerks' offices. Projects of note include various records improvement programs, upgrading judges' law libraries, and continuation of various projects, such as the Memphis Citizen Dispute Center.

The Executive Secretary's Office worked with the Judicial Conference in gathering information and providing assistance in the beginning development of various handbooks for the judges' use, including the *Retired Judges Handbook* and the *Tennessee State Judges Directory*. This office also began the arduous task of updating the three-volume *Clerks Manual*.

This is the third year of operation of the Tennessee Judicial Information System. Information obtained from the 17 operational programs enables this office to analyze trends in case processing and disposition, evaluate the impact of judicial system changes, generate special-purpose reports and provide data on the need for additional judges and resources, in determining judicial appropriations, for judicial assignment purposes and for assessing and evaluating court performance and operations.

1980 also marked a concerted effort to increase the public's awareness of the Tennessee Court System. The Tennessee Judicial Conference, with staff assistance from the Executive Secretary's Office, implemented a Judges Speakers Bureau, whereby an organized group can obtain a trial or appellate judge to speak, free of charge, on a topic of particular interest. This project appears to be well received by communities within the state, and expanding these services is anticipated.

The Executive Secretary's Office also developed a brochure entitled "*Pocket Guide to the Tennessee Courts*". Providing a brief description of the courts in the state, this brochure is available to schools, court users and interested organizations.

I wish to extend my appreciation to all the judges, clerks, and clerk and masters, without whose cooperation and support the accomplishments and statistical data obtained would not be possible. I now present the 1980 Annual Report of the Office of the Executive Secretary to the Tennessee Supreme Court pursuant to T.C.A. 16-3-502 (3).

Respectfully submitted,

Cletus W. McWilliams
Executive Secretary

Office of the Executive Secretary - Ongoing Duties & Special Projects

"There is created the Office of the Executive Secretary to the Supreme Court. The purpose of this office shall be to assist in improving the administration of justice in Tennessee..." T.C.A. 16-3-801.

This authorization became law in 1963. The Executive Secretary is appointed by the Supreme Court and serves at its pleasure. He works under the direction of the Chief Justice, the administrative head of the state court system.

Four men have held the position: Cletus W. McWilliams, the current Executive Secretary who assumed the office in October of 1977; Paul Summers and Brooks McLemore, both of whom served approximately one year before appointment to other positions; and T. Mack Blackburn, the first Executive Secretary who retired from the position after holding it approximately 11 years.

The Executive Secretary is aided by a staff of 20 people. This staff is divided into two units: operations and planning. Following is a description of the ongoing duties and special projects performed by the office in 1980.

Claims for Legal Fees

The Executive Secretary's Office is required by statute to issue payment to appointed counsel for representation of an indigent defendant charged with a felony. This office also issues payment to appointed counsel for representation of an indigent juvenile person for an offense which would constitute a felony if the offense had been committed by an adult. These payments are made in compliance with T.C.A. 40-2014 et. seq. (adult felony cases), T.C.A. 37-249 (juvenile felony cases), and Rule 13 to the Supreme Court (adult and juvenile felony cases).

Under T.C.A. 40-2028, this office disburses payment to the Public Defender Offices of Davidson County, Shelby County, and Sevier County.

A year's total reimbursements to a public defender office cannot exceed its local budget. Public defenders and private appointed attorneys may receive up to $500.00 per case at each court level, including the trial, intermediate appellate, and the Supreme Court levels. Time in court is reimbursed at a level not to exceed $30.00 an hour and not to exceed $100.00 a day in adult cases and $50.00 a day in juvenile cases. Trial preparation work, including preliminary hearings, is reimbursed at a level not to exceed $20.00 an hour.

Two attorneys per defendant may be paid in capital cases and compensation in these cases shall be determined by the Supreme Court. Such capital cases are defined as those in which the defendant is indicted for an offense that is punishable by death, and the district attorney general announces that the state will insist upon the death penalty.

In addition to auditing and paying claims for indigent defense in felony cases, the Executive Secretary's Office pays for costs in judicial mental health proceedings where the party responsible for costs has been found to be unable to pay. These costs include attorney fees, court and clerk fees, and sheriff fees. These payments are made in compliance with T.C.A 33-312 and Rule 15 to the Supreme Court.

Pursuant to T.C.A. 40-3619 and Rule 16 to the Supreme Court, this office now issues payment to an attorney, appointed by the Board of Pardons and Paroles, for representation of an indigent parolee in proceedings wherein representation by counsel is necessary to fulfill the requirements of the United States Supreme Court. The operations for payment in this cause began in January, 1980.

Fiscal Services

This office administers eight budget codes. This includes preparing and submitting budget requests; issuing payroll; auditing and paying invoices for equipment, supplies, etc.; insuring that codes are not overspent; and, obtaining authorization to transfer funds from one code to another when necessary. Below is an explanation of the 10 budget codes for the judicial branch for Fiscal Year 1979-1980. The first eight are administered by the Executive Secretary's Office. The last two are administered by the appellate court clerks and the executive secretary to the Board of Law Examiners, respectively:

1. *Appellate and Trial Courts.* Salaries and benefits for state judges, their secretaries, two Supreme Court staff attorneys, appellate court law clerks, and special judges designated by the Chief Justice; travel and office expenses for judges, and minimum law libraries. Total Expended - $9,324,529.95; (a) State Appropriations -$9,293,507.90, (b) Inter-Department Revenues -$31,022.15.

2. *Supreme Court Buildings.* Funds for the operation and maintenance of the Supreme Court buildings in Nashville, Knoxville and Jackson. Total Expended - $315,977.19.

3. *Indigent Defendant's Counsel.* Payments to attorneys who are appointed to represent a juvenile or adult who cannot afford an attorney when such defendant is charged with a felony.

Also the payment of legal costs when an indigent is responsible for such costs resulting from judicial mental health proceedings. Total Expended - $1,786,524.97.

4. *Verbatim Transcripts.* Salaries, benefits, transcript fees, travel costs, and miscellaneous expenses incurred by court reporters who provide trial transcripts to persons indicted in felonies. Total Expended - $838,259.38.

5. *Tennessee State Law Libraries.* Salaries and benefits for law librarians, their assistants, and funds to purchase the necessary books and materials to maintain law libraries in Nashville, Knoxville and Jackson. Total Expended -$192,177.67.

6. *Judicial Council and Conference.* Travel and miscellaneous expenses incurred in connection with the annual Judicial Conference mandated by statute, for two judicial continuing legal education seminars scheduled each year and for members of the Judicial Council who study and make recommendations concerning the state judicial system. Total Expended - $77,013.78.

7. *Judicial Committees.* Travel expenses of the three members of the Committee on Uniform Laws and the state's annual dues to the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform Laws. Also travel expenses for members of the Appellate Court Nominating Commission and the Court of the Judiciary. Total Expended - $16,418.83.

8. *Court System Administration.* Salaries and operational expenses of the Office of the Executive Secretary to the Supreme Court. Total Expended - $684,914.85; (a) State Appropriations $328,198.83, (b) Inter-Department Revenues $356,715.92.

9. *Appellate Court Clerks.* Expenses of the appellate courts, which include printing, communications, maintenance and supplies. Also salaries of marshals and porters. Total Expended -$263,274.08.

10. *Board of Law Examiners.* Salaries and operating expenses of the three-member board and support personnel necessary in its role of determining the fitness of applicants for license to practice law in Tennessee. Total Expended -$101,735.47.

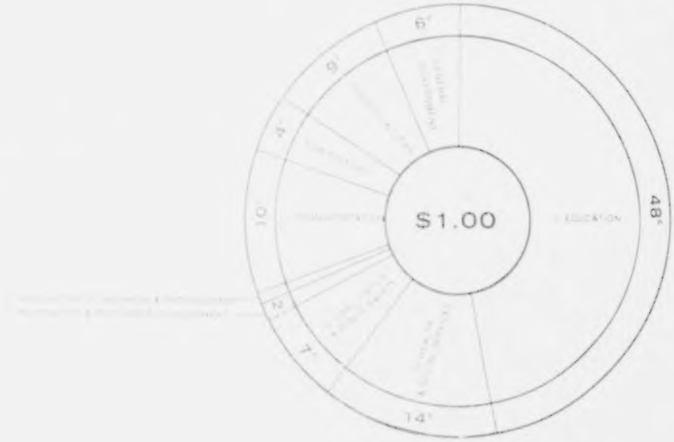
Judicial Expenditures Fiscal Year 1979-1980

(Source: *State Budget Document, 1981-1982*)

Judicial Department	State Government	Per Cent of State Budget
$13,600,826.17	$3,179,696,327.45	.4

Where Your Tax Dollar Goes, 1979-1980

Of the 6¢ for Law, Justice, and Public Safety, only ½¢ went for the state court system.*



Court Reporting Supervision

Tennessee provides court reporters equipped with audio recording machines to the state courts with criminal jurisdiction.

Generally the reporter serves a particular judge, and is responsible for reporting a record of trial proceedings and later transcribing this record if the case is appealed. Tennessee has 57 official court reporters and employs a local supervisor in Memphis where the criminal courts are served by a rotaing arrangement.

The Office of the Executive Secretary coordinates this system, a task that includes providing supplies and equipment throughout the state, authorizing the employment of a reporter after conferring with the judge or judges in whose court or courts he or she is to work, and obtaining and scheduling substitutes. This office also determines whether the state should assume responsibility in court reporting matters. In addition, this office sets skill requirements and compensation standards based on skill and workload.

A June seminar was held for all official court reporters, scheduled to coincide with the judges' seminar, at which the Official Court Reporters' Certification Exam was given. This exam can be taken until a reporter meets the highest certification level. A panel was selected at the seminar to study the court reporters' manual with the aim to make the manual a workable tool.

Continuing Education

Judges, court clerks, and their deputies also are offered several opportunities for continuing legal education through the Executive Secretary's Office. Basically, these take three forms: publications, in-state seminars, and funding for attendance at out-of-state functions.

The funding for out-of-state workshops or seminars has largely been provided through federal grant monies and limited to state level judges. The most frequently attended educational program is the National College of the State Judiciary in Reno, Nevada.

In state, the office works in cooperation with the Tennessee Judicial Conference to provide continuing education for judges. Three meetings resulted in 1980.

Spring and fall educational seminars are held each year at a state park. Topics of discussion at these seminars included Uniform Commercial Code - Secured Transactions, Developments of Civil and Criminal Law, Opinion Writing Skills, Evidence and Judicial Ethics. Attendance at the three-day seminars is voluntary and average 75 per cent of all state judges.

Attendance is mandatory at an annual meeting of the Judicial Conference held in June. The Executive Secretary's Office coordinates the convention time devoted to continuing education, which usually focuses on updating the judges as to recent developments in case and statutory law.

Seminars for court clerks and their deputies are another project coordinated by the Executive Secretary's Office, working in this area with a committee of the State Court Clerks' Association. Three-day regional seminars are held each spring in each of the three grand divisions. Attendance averages 150 people per meeting. Topics are designed to aid clerks in the performance of their duties.

Information and Publications

This office published a newsletter for judges, court clerks, court reporters, and other judicial personnel. The content varies from administrative information from the Executive Secretary's Office to news about judicial personnel, to recent changes in the law. Five issues of the *Tennessee Judge* were published in 1980.

All printed material from the continuing education section is handled through this office. The photo-typesetting equipment purchased in 1978 allows for in-house production of seminar brochures, speaker hand-outs, the newsletter and publications such as the annual report.

In addition to providing resource materials, the Office of the Executive Secretary is an information resource in and of itself. Out-of-state requests have been received for information on indigent payments, statistics and our policy on cameras in the courtroom. Requests have also come from the National Center for State Courts, the American Judicature Society and numerous consulting firms.

Many in-state requests come from judges, court clerks, legislators, or other state agencies. The Executive Secretary's Office also answers questions from the media and public-at-large. The office issues press releases when called upon by the Supreme Court to do so, and these have included court opinions involving issues of wide interest, such as lawyer advertising.

This office was instrumental in the complete revision of the *Supreme Court Rules*, a *Retired Judges' Handbook*, revisions for *Tennessee Pattern Jury Instructions (Criminal)* and *Uniform Rules for Trial Courts*.

Numerous address lists are kept up-to-date for various committees and the Legislative Committee member lists are available for reference.

Committee Staff Support

The Executive Secretary serves as secretary to Tennessee's Judicial Council and gives staff support to several other groups. The Judicial Council is an advisory committee to the General Assembly, which seeks the Council's opinion on legislation affecting the judiciary, for example, a bill to create a new judgeship or circuit. In its role, the Council often relies on the Executive Secretary for caseload figures, and the group usually adopts the Executive Secretary's annual report on the courts as its own.

Other groups receiving staff support in 1980 were the Tennessee Judicial Conference; and the Judicial Planning Committee (JPC), which coordinates the selection of programs and projects that will receive federal funding from the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration (LEAA).

While the thrust of federal funding for Tennessee courts in 1980 still focused on improved records management procedures, other areas of funding from the LEAA included Diversion, Indigent Defense and Continuing Education.

Data Collection

Statute requires the Executive Secretary's Office to survey the courts of record and to keep caseload figures as to their workload. This was the third year in which this office carried out that requirement utilizing a computerized case-tracking system commonly referred to as TJIS (Tennessee Judicial Information System).

The majority of this activity centered on updating and maintenance of the computer file. Coordination continued with the Davidson County Criminal Court and the Knox County Chancery Court to update using magnetic tape rather than paper reports.

Minimum Law Libraries

In 1977, the Executive Secretary's Office identified certain books that each state judge should have in order to possess a "minimum law library." The basics are the *Tennessee Code Annotated*, *Tennessee Digest*, *Tennessee Decisions* and *Shepard's Tennessee Citations*, although several other books are included.

Only a few judges were found who had the requisite volumes. The office completed the minimum law library for those judges who desired it, primarily through the expenditure of federal grant monies. Primarily state funds purchase replacement volumes and supplements to keep the law books current.

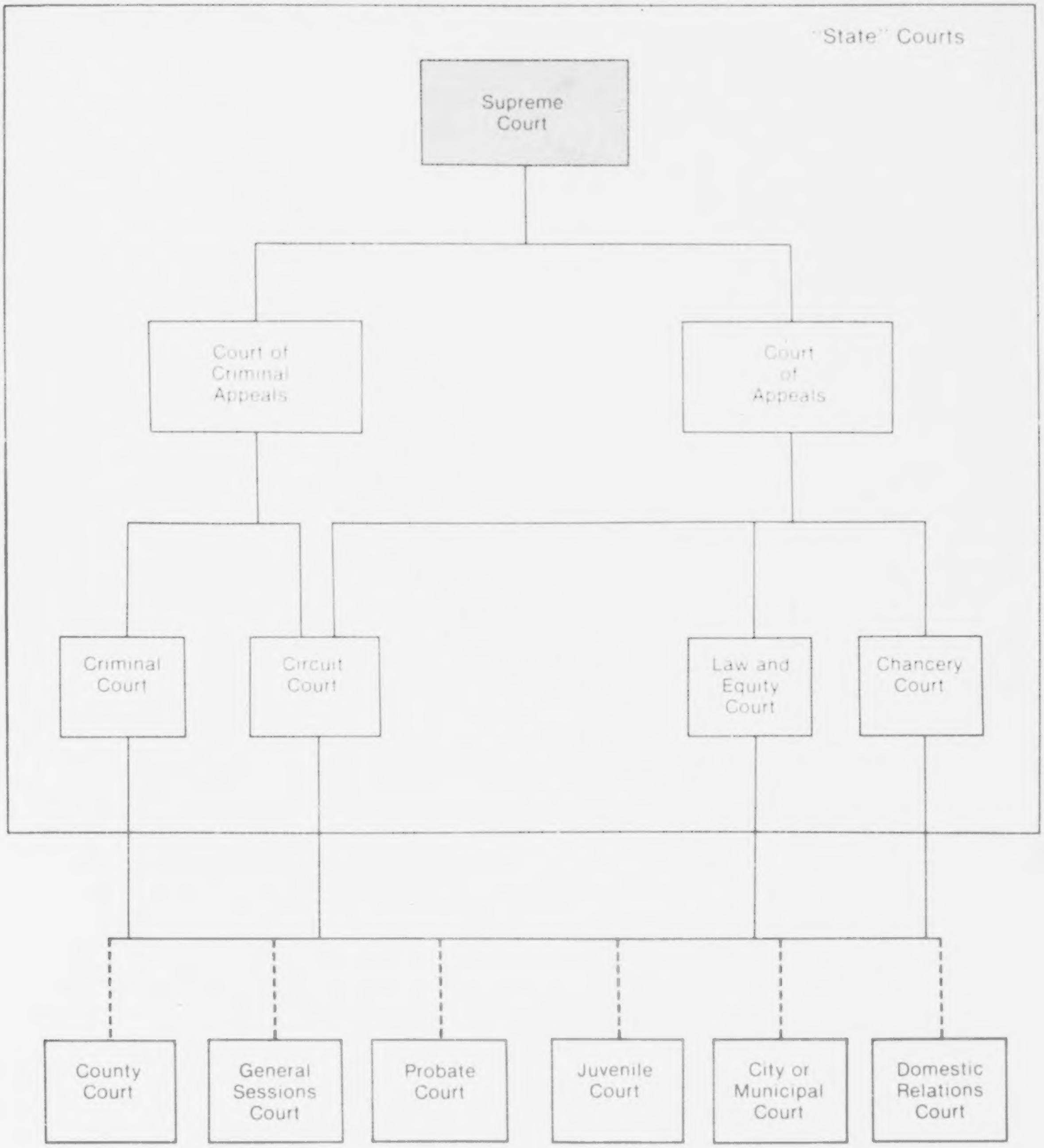
Through a joint effort of the Tennessee Judicial Conference and the Executive Secretary's Office, each minimum law library now includes *Tennessee Pattern Jury Instructions-Civil*, *Tennessee Pattern Jury Instructions-Criminal*, and the *Tennessee Trial Judge's Benchbook*. A judge's law library is state property that passes to his successor when a judge leaves office.

Property Inventory

The annual inventory of all state property assigned to judicial personnel in various locations was completed in 1980. The Office of the Executive Secretary relied on the cooperation of the assignee, who was requested to verify his/her assignment of property items.

The Office of the Executive Secretary will be happy to furnish further information about its operations upon request. Contact: Office of the Executive Secretary, Tennessee Supreme Court, Supreme Court Building, Nashville, TN 37219 (615)741-2687 or (615)741-3154.

Supreme Court


"State" Courts
Supreme Court
Court of Criminal Appeals
Court of Appeals
Criminal Court
Circuit Court
Law and Equity Court
Chancery Court
County Court
General Sessions Court
Probate Court
Juvenile Court
City or Municipal Court
Domestic Relations Court

Constitutional issues, state revenue cases, and workmen's compensation cases have direct appeal to the Supreme Court. Other appeals generally flow as outlined in this chart, but there is no simple pattern of appeals from the lower courts to the upper level trial courts. Factors such as jurisdiction, casetype, and the effects of private legislation may produce different appellate "routes" in each county.

Supreme Court

Organization

The judicial power of the State of Tennessee is vested in the Supreme Court and in such circuit, chancery and other inferior courts as the Legislature shall from time to time establish. Tenn. Const. art 6, Sec. 1. The Supreme Court consists of five justices elected from the three grand divisions of the state of whom not more than two may reside in any one of the same grand divisions. Tenn. Const. art 6, Sec. 2.

The Tennessee Constitution requires the Supreme Court to hold court at Knoxville, Nashville and Jackson. Tenn. Const. art 6, Sec. 2. By statute, the Supreme Court is required to hold one session each year at the following times: (1) Knoxville - the second Monday in September, (2) Nashville - the first Monday in December and (3) Jackson - the first Monday in April. T.C.A. 16-2-103(1955). In 1980 multiple sessions were held at each location as follows: (1) Knoxville - January, May and September, (2) Nashville - February, May and October and (3) Jackson - April and November.

Administration

The Supreme Court is vested with constitutional, statutory and inherent power to supervise the courts and the administration of justice in the State of Tennessee. *See* Tenn. Const. art 6 Sec. 2 (constitutional); T.C.A. 16-3-501 through -504 (statutory) (1979 Supp.); *Belmont v. Board of Law Examiners*, 511 S.W. 2d 461 (Tenn. Sup. Ct. 1974) (inherent). In addition to other constitutional, statutory and inherent power, but not restrictive thereof, the Supreme Court has the power:

(a) To designate and assign temporarily any judge or chancellor to hold, or sit as a member of any court, of comparable dignity or higher level, for any good and sufficient reason. T.C.A. 16-3-502 (1979 Supp.);

(b) To maintain a roster of retired judges who are willing and able to undertake special duties from time to time and to designate or assign them appropriate judicial duties. T.C.A. 16-3-502 (1979 Supp.);

(c) To require the Executive Secretary of Supreme Court to make a careful and continuing survey of the dockets of the circuit, criminal, chancery and other similar courts of record and to report at periodic intervals to the court and annually to the general assembly. All such data and reports are public documents. T.C.A. 16-3-3-502 (1979 Supp.);

(d) To take affirmative and appropriate action to correct or alleviate any imbalance in caseloads among the various judicial circuits and chancery divisions of the state. T.C.A. 16-3-502 (1979 Supp.);

(e) To take affirmative and appropriate action to correct or alleviate any condition or situation adversely affecting the administration of justice within the state. T.C.A. 16-3-502 (1979 Supp.);

(f) To take all such other, further and additional action as may be necessary to the orderly administration of justice within the state, whether or not herein or elsewhere enumerated. T.C.A. 16-3-502 (1979 Supp.).

By statute, the Supreme Court is empowered to prescribe general rules of practice and procedure in all the courts of Tennessee. T.C.A. 16-3-402 (1979 Supp.). These rules may not abridge, enlarge or modify any substantive right and must be consistent with the Constitutions of the United States and Tennessee. T.C.A. 16-3-403 (1979 Supp.). The Supreme Court fixes the effective date of all its rules, but the rules cannot become effective until the Chief Justice has reported the same to the Legislature which must approve them by joint resolution. T.C.A. 16-3-404 (1979 Supp.). The Supreme Court has promulgated the following rules: (1) Tennessee Rules of Appellate Procedure - Effective date of July 1, 1979; (2) Tennessee Rules of Criminal Procedure - Effective date of July 13, 1978; and, (3) Tennessee Rules of Civil Procedure - Effective date of January 1, 1971.

The Tennessee Constitution and statutory provisions require that after the justices of the Supreme Court are elected they shall choose one of themselves to preside as Chief Justice. Tenn. Const. art 6, Sec. 2; T.C.A. 16-3-102 (1955). Under the present Court the office of the Chief Justice is rotated among the justices, with each serving in the position for one-fifth of the eight year term (approximately nineteen months).

The constitutional and statutory powers of the Chief Justice are as follows:

(1) He presides at the impeachment trials of any public official who may be impeached under the Tennessee Constitution. Tenn. Const. art 6, Sec. 2.

(2) He designates special judges or chancellors to hear cases whenever the regular judge or chancellor is unable to try the docket in any court of his division or circuit or whenever any circuit, chancery or criminal court becomes congested or delay in disposition of the litigation becomes imminent. T.C.A. 17-2-109 (1979 Supp.); T.C.A. 17-2-110 (1955).

(3) He approves the salaries for secretarial assistants for trial judges and chancellors. T.C.A. 17-1-402 (1979 Supp.).

(4) He assigns replacements for judges of the Court of Criminal Appeals who are unable to perform their duties because of absence, sickness, disqualification or other disability. T.C.A. 16-5-105 (1979 Supp.).

(5) He serves as a member of the commissions to control the Supreme Court Buildings in Nashville and Knoxville. T.C.A. 16-3-701, 16-3-702 (1979 Supp.).

(6) He fixes, in concurrence with the Executive Secretary, the amount of compensation paid to the clerks and stenographers of the Supreme Court Justices. T.C.A. 8-23-108 (1980).

(7) He assigns retired judges to hold any court in the state to relieve congested dockets or to sit for absent or incapacitated judges. T.C.A. 8-36-813, -814 (1980).

(8) He serves as chairman of the Law Library Commission to which he appoints two other members of the Supreme Court, the Court of Appeals or both. T.C.A. 10-2-101 (1980).

(9) He is chairman of and appoints two members to serve on the Tennessee Code Commission. T.C.A. 1-1-101 (1980).

Responsibility for the day-to-day administration of the Supreme Court is entrusted to the Clerks of the Supreme Court. There is one such clerk in each of the three grand divisions, appointed by the Supreme Court for a six-year term and eligible for reappointment. T.C.A. 18-3-101 (1955). The clerks must maintain and keep current all dockets, records and files as prescribed by law or order of the court until their disposal is ordered by the court. T.C.A. 18-3-102, -108 (1955). In 1980, the Clerks of the Supreme Court were: (1) Knoxville - John A. Parker; (2) Nashville - Ramsey Leathers; and, (3) Jackson - Jewel Redden.

Selection

The justices of the Supreme Court are elected for terms of eight years and may be re-elected. T.C.A. 16-3-101 (1955). In order to qualify for election, candidates for the Supreme Court must be at least thirty-five years of age and must have resided in Tennessee for at least five years. Tenn. Const. art 6, Sec. 3. Additionally, the justices are required by statute to be authorized to practice law in the courts of Tennessee. T.C.A. 17-1-106 (1979 Supp.).

At the end of 1980, members of the Supreme Court were: Chief Justice Ray L. Brock, Jr., Associate Justices William H. D. Fones, Robert E. Cooper, William J. Harbison, and Frank F. Drowota, III.

Jurisdiction

Article 6, Section 2 of the Tennessee Constitution states that the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court "...shall be appellate only, under such restrictions and regulations as may from time to time be prescribed by law; but it may possess such other jurisdiction as is now conferred by law on the present Supreme Court."

This section of the Tennessee Constitution has been construed in many cases, and the holdings of the Supreme Court have been uniform to the effect that it is without original jurisdiction in any matter, and it is beyond the power of the Legislature to confer original jurisdiction upon it. *See In re Bowers,* 137 Tenn. 193, 192 S.W. 919 (1917). The Supreme Court has also held that the "other jurisdiction" clause in the foregoing provision applies only to such matters as are absolutely necessary to effectuate the Court's appellate jurisdiction. *See Miller v. Conlee,* 37 Tenn. 432 (1858); *State ex rel Conner v. Herbert,* 127 Tenn. 220, 154 S.W. 957 (1912).

The Supreme Court is vested with appellate jurisdiction under Article 6, Section 2 of the Tennessee Constitution. *See also,* T.C.A. 16-3-201 (1955). The Court does not have jurisdiction to try cases *de novo. See Simm v. Doughtery,* 186 Tenn. 356, 210 S.W.2d 486 (1948). Furthermore, the Court is not authorized to render advisory opinions. *Veach v. State,* 491 S.W.2d 81 (Tenn. Sup. Ct. 1973).

Matters which may be appealed directly to the Supreme Court from the trial court level are as follows:

(1) The constitutionality of a state law or municipal ordinance which is the sole determinative question of the litigation. T.C.A. 16-4-108 (1979 Supp.). Note: It has been held that the constitutional question must be substantial and not merely incidental to the determination of the litigation. *See Memphis and Shelby County Bar Association v. Aspero,* 35 Tenn. App. 9, 242 S.W.2d 319 (1950).

(2) The right to hold public office. T.C.A. 16-4-108 (1979 Supp.). Note: The right itself must be substantially involved and not merely incidental to the determination of the litigation. *See White v. Knight,* 34 Tenn. App. 426, 238 S.W.2d 745 (1950).

(3) Worker's Compensation T.C.A. 16-4-108 (1979 Supp.). *See also,* T.C.A. 50-1018 (1977).

(4) State Revenue. T.C.A. 16-4-108 (1979 Supp.).

(5) *Mandamus*. T.C.A. 16-4-108 (1979 Supp.).

(6) In the nature of *quo warranto*. T.C.A. 16-4-108 (1979 Supp.).

(7) Ouster. T.C.A. 16-4-108 (1979 Supp.).

(8) *Habeas corpus* in cases where the relator is being held under criminal accusation or a rendition warrant issued by the governor of the state. T.C.A. 16-4-108 (1979 Supp.).

(9) Cases involving licensing of child welfare agencies by the Department of Public Welfare. T.C.A. 14-10-112 (1980).

(10) Disciplinary actions involving attorneys. T.C.A. 23-3-204 (1955).

(11) Death penalty convictions. T.C.A. 39-2406 (1980 Supp.).

(12) Injunctions in obscenity actions. T.C.A. 39-3010 (1980).

(13) Teacher tenure. T.C.A. 49-1417 (1977).

(14) Confiscation of drugs ordered by the Commissioner of Safety. T.C.A. 52-1405 (1977).

(15) Slaughterhouse license revocation. T.C.A. 52-931 (1977).

(16) Seizure and condemnation of vending machines and commissaries by the Commissioner of Agriculture. T.C.A. 52-1508 (1977).

(17) Decisions of Pollution Control Board and Commissioner of Public Health. T.C.A. 53-3417 (1977).

(18) Decisions concerning solid waste disposal. T.C.A. 53-4313 (1980).

(19) Decisions by beer boards. T.C.A. 57-5-109 (1980).

(20) Mineral Test Hold Regulatory Board decisions. T.C.A. 59-9-108 (1980).

(21) Medical personnel lab license. T.C.A. 53-4128 (1977).

(22) Enforcement of tax liens. T.C.A. 67-2017 (1976).

(23) Seizure or confiscation of contraband goods under Tobacco Tax Act. T.C.A. 67-3123 (1976).

(24) Water Quality Control Board decisions. T.C.A. 70-333 (1980 Supp.).

(25) Decisions by the Commissioner of Conservation under the Safe Dam Act. T.C.A. 70-2524 (1976).

Some of the above provisions may be affected by an amendment to the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act (UAPA) directing that appellate review under UAPA be to the Court of Appeals, not the Supreme Court. *See* T.C.A. 4-5-118 (1980). Direct appeals to the Supreme Court in civil cases extend only to the types of cases listed above. However, an appeal by permission may be taken from a final decision of the Court of Appeals or Court of Criminal Appeals to the Supreme Court only on application and in the discretion of the Supreme Court. Tenn. R. App. P. 11.

Procedure

The Tennessee Rules of Appellate Procedure became effective on July 1, 1979. The Rules were drawn under the authority of T.C.A. 16-3-402 through -408 (1979 Supp.) and govern procedure before all the appellate courts in Tennessee and in all proceedings, whether denominated as appeals or otherwise, in both civil and criminal actions. *See* Tenn. R. App. P. 1 (Advisory Commission Comment). The principal purpose of the Rules is to bring together in one place a simplified, coherent, and modern body of law. *See* Tenn. R. App. P. 1 (Advisory Commission Comment).

Under the Rules, there are two principal devices which may be used to obtain review in the appellate courts: (1) Appeal as of Right, (2) Appeal by Permission.

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Supreme Court Caseload Data

Filings—Direct Appeals

Court of Origin	Western Section	Middle Section	Eastern Section	Total
Chancery	10	37	37	84
Circuit	11	13	11	35
County	0	0	0	0
Criminal	2	2	3	7
General Sessions	0	0	0	0
Juvenile	0	0	0	0
Law & Equity	0	1	0	1
Probate	2	2	0	4
Other	0	0	0	0
Total	25	55	51	131

Dispositions of Appeals by Permission

Action	Western Section	Middle Section	Eastern Section	Total
Granted	21	22	35	78
Denied	177	137	195	509
Other	1	9	5	15
Total	199	168	235	602

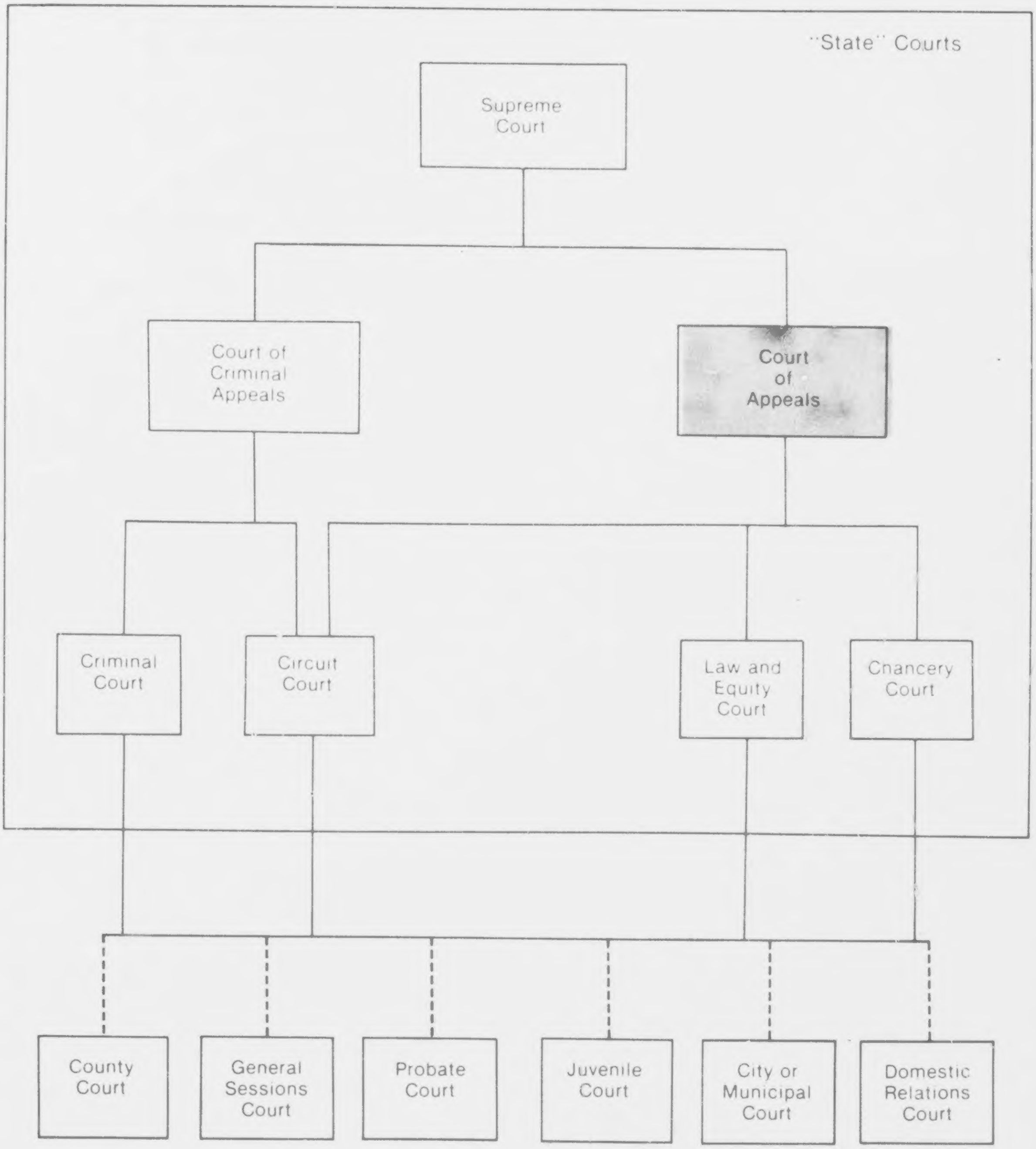
Dispositions—Direct Appeals & Appeals by Permission Granted

Action	Western Section	Middle Section	Eastern Section	Total
Affirmed	12	20	35	67
Reversed	1	10	9	20
Reversed & Remanded	8	19	12	39
Affirmed—Reversed in Part	3	4	3	10
Reversed & Dismissed	2	4	1	7
Remanded	3	1	4	8
Modified & Affirmed	1	1	4	6
Affirmed & Remanded	8	8	8	24
Order Denying Petition	5	0	12	17
Transfer	7	6	2	15
Dismissal	3	1	2	6
Other	1	1	0	2
Total	54	75	92	221

Dispositions—Appeal by Permission & Written Opinions & Orders

	West	Middle	East	TOTAL	Concurrence	Dissent	GRAND TOTAL
Total	253	243	235	823	0	5	828

Court of Appeals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Court of Appeals

Organization

The Court of Chancery Appeals was established by the Legislature in 1895 pursuant to a grant of power contained in Article VI, Section 1 of the Tennessee Constitution. *See* 1895 Tenn. Pub. Acts ch. 76. The Court's name was later changed to the Court of Civil Appeals in 1907 and again changed to its present title of Court of Appeals in 1925. *See* 1907 Tenn. Pub. Acts ch. 82; 1925 Tenn. Pub. Acts ch. 100.

The Court of Appeals consists of 12 judges of whom not more than four may reside in any one grand division of the state. T.C.A. 16-4-102 (1979 Supp.). The Court of Appeals is empowered to sit in sections of three judges each in Knoxville, Nashville and Jackson, and to hear and decide cases as if all 12 members were present. T.C.A. 16-4-113 (1979 Supp.). When sitting in sections of three judges, the concurrence of two judges is sufficient for a decision. When sitting *en banc*, the concurrence of seven judges is necessary for a decision. When two sections are sitting together, the concurrence of five judges is necessary for a decision. T.C.A. 16-4-109 (1979 Supp.).

By statute, the Court of Appeals is required to hold term of court at Knoxville on the first Monday in May, at Nashville on the first Monday in September and at Jackson on the first Monday in January. T.C.A. 16-4-112 (1955). The statute additionally provides that the Court may sit in sections concurrently at the places enumerated above without regard to terms for such time as the court determines is necessary for the dispatch of its business, and the presiding judge of the Court of Appeals is empowered to assign and reassign the judges and sections. T.C.A. 16-4-112, (1955); 16-4-113 (1979 Supp.).

In 1980, the Court of Appeals held sessions during the following months: (1) Eastern Section at Knoxville - January, February, April, May, June, August, September, October and December, (2) Middle Section at Nashville - January, February, May, June, September and October and (3) Western Section at Jackson - January, February, March, May, June, July, August, September and December.

Administration

The Court of Appeals is subject to the general rules of practice and procedure prescribed by the Tennessee Supreme Court. T.C.A. 16-4-110 (1979 Supp.). Additionally, the Court of Appeals may adopt supplementary or additional rules of practice and procedure not in conflict with those promulgated for the Court by the Supreme Court. The Court of Appeals adopted the Rules of the Court of Appeals on October 2, 1967. Note: Any rules inconsistent with the Tennessee Rules of Appellate Procedure which became effective on July 1, 1979, may be superseded by those rules.

The judges of the Court of Appeals choose the presiding judge of the Court at the first meeting of the Court after the regular judicial election. T.C.A. 16-4-104 (1955). The presiding judge is empowered to do the following:

(1) Call meetings of the Court at the request of a majority of the Court's judges to revise its rules of practice. T.C.A. 16-4-104 (1955).

(2) Assign and reassign the judges and sections. T.C.A. 16-4-113 (1979 Supp.).

(3) Serve as a member of the commission to control the Supreme Court Buildings in Nashville and Knoxville. T.C.A. 16-3-701, 16-3-702 (1979 Supp.).

(4) Serve as a member of the State Law Library Commission. T.C.A. 10-4-101 (1980).

When the Court sits in sections, each section chooses a presiding judge from its members. T.C.A. 16-4-105 (1955).

The clerks of the Supreme Court also serve as the clerks of the Court of Appeals; they perform the same duties, are subject to the same liabilities and receive the same compensation as prescribed by law. T.C.A. 16-4-106 (1955).

Selection

The judges of the Court of Appeals are elected pursuant to Tennessee's version of the "Missouri Plan". T.C.A. 17-4-101 (1979 Supp.) et seq. Under this plan, the eleven members of the Appellate Court Nominating Commission are chosen as follows:

(1) Four persons of whom no more than two may be attorneys are appointed by the Governor. T.C.A. 17-4-102(1) (1979 Supp.).

(2) Three attorneys are elected by referendum of all licensed attorneys, one attorney being from each grand division of the state. T.C.A. 17-4-102(2) (1979 Supp.).

(3) The speaker of each house of the General Assembly appoints two persons from different political parties. T.C.A. 17-4-102(3) (1979 Supp.). Note: Because membership on the Appellate Court Nominating Commission

is an office or place of trust, members of the General Assembly are ineligible to serve on the Commission during their term of office. *See State ex rel Higgins v. Dunn*, 496 S.W.2d 480 (Sup. Ct. 1973); *Also see* Tenn. Const. art 2, Sec. 10.

When a vacancy occurs on the Court of Appeals, the Appellate Court Nominating Commission selects three persons from the grand division in which the vacancy exists. T.C.A. 17-4-109 (1979 Supp.). The Governor then appoints one of the three nominees to fill the vacancy, or in the event that the Governor rejects all three nominees, the Commission continues to make nominations in sets of three until an appointment is made. T.C.A. 17-4-112 (1979 Supp.).

After the Governor has made the appointment, the appointee serves as a judge of the Court of Appeals until the next regular August biennial election (recurring more than thirty days after the vacancy). At this time he stands for election to the unexpired term of his predecessor or for a regular term of eight years as the case may be. T.C.A. 17-4-112 (1979 Supp.). In the election, the appointed judge runs unopposed and the electorate votes to retain or not retain the appointed judge. T.C.A. 17-4-114 (1979 Supp.). If a majority of those voting reject the appointed judge, then a vacancy exists as of September 1, which is filled by nomination and appointment as previously described. T.C.A. 17-4-114 through -116 (1979 Supp.).

Court of Appeals judges must be at least thirty years of age and residents of Tennessee for five years prior to their appointment. T.C.A. 16-4-102 (1979 Supp.). Judges of the Court of Appeals are required to be learned in the law, which must be evidenced by their being admitted to the practice of law in Tennessee. T.C.A. 16-4-102 (1979 Supp.). In 1980, members of the Court of Appeals were: Middle Division - Thomas A. Shriver (Presiding Judge), Henry F. Todd, Frank F. Drowota, III and Samuel L. Lewis; Eastern Division - James W. Parrott, Clifford E. Sanders, Houston Goddard and Herschel P. Franks; Western Division - Kirby Matherne, Charles E. Nearn, Paul R. Summers and M. Watkins Ewell, Jr.

During 1980 Judge Ben H. Cantrell was appointed to the Middle Division when Judge Shriver retired. Judge Watkins Ewell, Jr. died November 13, 1980. Judge Hewitt P. Tomlin, Jr. replaced Judge Ewell, beginning his term 1/1/81. Judge Lewis H. Conner was sworn in August 1 to replace Judge Drowota who was sworn in as an Associate Justice on the Supreme Court.

Jurisdiction

The jurisdiction of the Court of Appeals is appellate only; it has no original jurisdiction. T.C.A. 16-4-108 (1979 Supp.). The appellate jurisdiction of the Court of Appeals extends to all civil cases except those involving the following:

(1) The constitutionality of a statute or city ordinance which is the determinative question in the litigation. T.C.A. 16-4-108 (1979 Supp.).

(2) The right to hold public office. T.C.A. 16-4-108 (1979 Supp.).

(3) Worker compensation. T.C.A. 16-4-108 (1979 Supp.).

(4) State Revenue. T.C.A. 16-4-108 (1979 Supp.).

(5) *Mandamus*. T.C.A. 16-4-108 (1979 Supp.).

(6) In the nature of *quo warranto*. T.C.A. 16-4-108 (1979 Supp.).

(7) Ouster. T.C.A. 16-4-108 (1979 Supp.).

(8) *Habeas corpus* in cases where the relator is being held under a criminal accusation or a rendition warrant issued by the Governor. T.C.A. 16-4-108 (1979 Supp.).

In 1977, the General Assembly expanded the appellate jurisdiction of the Court of Appeals to include review of chancery court judgments pertaining to orders of state administrative agencies under the Tennessee Administrative Procedures Act. 1977 Tenn. Pub. Acts ch. 298, amending T.C.A. 4-5-118. In addition, the Court of Appeals has jurisdiction over appeals from juvenile and circuit courts in paternity cases. T.C.A. 36-235 (1977). The Court of Appeals also has jurisdiction over appeals from circuit and chancery courts involving actions of boards and commissions functioning under the laws of Tennesse unless otherwise specifically provided. T.C.A. 27-9-112 (1970 Supp.).

Procedure

The Tennessee Rules of Appellate Procedure became effective on July 1, 1979. These Rules were drawn under the authority of T.C.A. 16-3-402 through -601 (1979 Supp.), and govern procedure before all the appellate courts in Tennessee including the Court of Appeals. *See* Tenn. R. App. P. 1 (Advisory Commission Comment).

Under the Rules, there are two principal devices which may be used to obtain review in the Court of Appeals: (1) Appeal as of Right and (2) Appeal by Permission. Under Rule 3, an appeal as of right may be obtained in the Court of Appeals in all civil actions where final judgment is entered in a trial court from which an appeal lies to the Court of Appeals.

Appeal by permission may be granted in the following cases: (1) Interlocutory Appeal by Permission from the Trial Court - Under Rule 9, an appeal by permission may be taken from an interlocutory order of a trial court from which an appeal lies to the Court of Appeals only upon application and in the discretion of the trial and appellate court except as provided in Rule 10 and (2) Extraordinary Appeal by Permission on Original Application in the Appellate Court - Under Rule 10, an extraordinary appeal may be sought on application and in the discretion of the Court of Appeals alone of interlocutory orders of a lower court from which an appeal lies to the Court of Appeals: (a) if the lower court has so far departed from the accepted and usual course of judicial proceedings as to require immediate review or (b) if necessary for complete determination of the action on appeal as otherwise provided in the Rules.

Court of Appeals Caseload Data

Filings

Court of Origin	Western Section	Middle Section	Eastern Section	Total
Chancery	84	159	160	403
Circuit	90	139	133	362
County	0	0	1	1
Criminal	2	1	3	6
General Sessions	1	0	3	4
Juvenile	0	0	2	2
Law & Equity	6	2	1	9
Probate	8	8	3	19
Other	0	0	0	0
Total	**191**	**309**	**306**	**806**

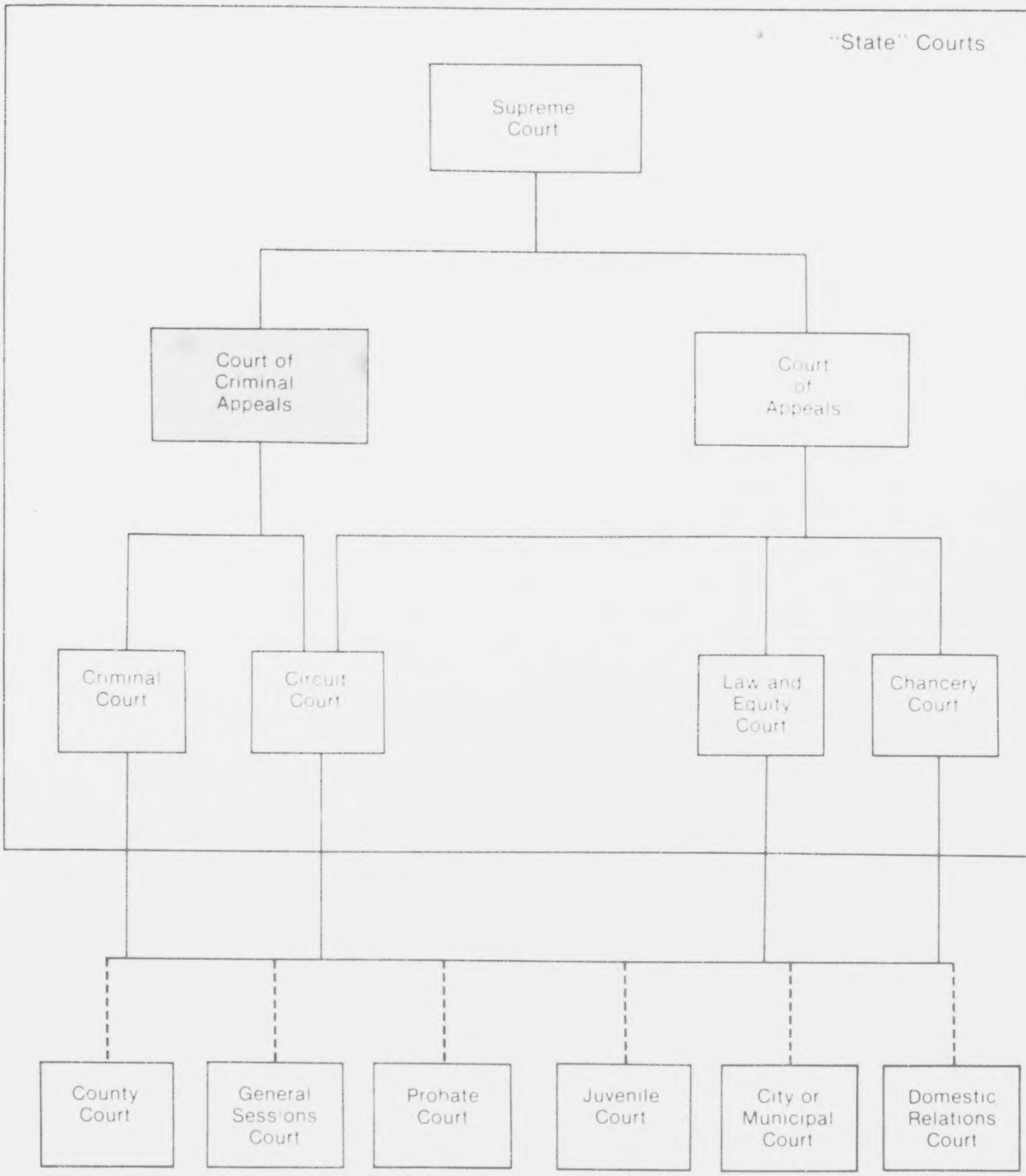
Dispositions by Type

Action	Western Section	Middle Section	Eastern Section	Total
Affirmed	77	80	98	255
Reversed	3	4	5	12
Reversed & Remanded	25	37	42	104
Affirmed—Reversed in Part	14	9	5	28
Modified & Dismissed	0	0	0	0
Reversed & Dismissed	12	7	12	31
Remanded	3	9	11	23
Modified & Affirmed	10	12	22	44
Affirmed & Remanded	5	77	29	111
Order Denying Petition	14	0	19	33
Transfer	2	2	4	8
Dismissal	31	31	24	86
Other	4	0	2	6
Total	**200**	**268**	**273**	**741**

Dispositions—Written Opinions & Orders

	West	Middle	East	TOTAL	Concurrence	Dissent	GRAND TOTAL
Total	200	268	273	741	7	7	755

Court of Criminal Appeals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Court of Criminal Appeals

Organization

The Court of Criminal Appeals was established by the Legislature in 1967 pursuant to a grant of power contained in Article VI, Section 1 of the Tennessee Constitution. *See* 1967 Tenn. Pub. Acts ch. 226. Originally, the size of the Court was set at seven members. A legislative act increased the membership to nine in 1976. 1976 Tenn. Pub. Acts ch. 636. No more than three judges can reside in any one of the state's three grand divisions. T.C.A. 16-5-102 (1979 Supp.). The Court may sit *en banc* or in panels of three, five or seven judges; the concurrence of a majority of judges sitting is necessary for a decision. T.C.A. 16-5-107 (1979 Supp.).

The Court of Criminal Appeals is required to sit at Knoxville, Nashville and Jackson for the purpose of hearing and deciding cases and such other matters as may come before it. T.C.A. 16-5-107 (1979 Supp.). By statute, the Court of Criminal Appeals is required to hold terms of court at Knoxville on the fourth Monday in June, at Nashville on the third Monday in February and at Jackson on the second Monday in October. T.C.A. 16-5-107 (1979 Supp.). The statute also provides that the Court may sit at the above-mentioned places without reference to terms, for the purpose of hearing and deciding cases and other matters before it, and for such time as may in the judgment of the Court be necessary or required for the prompt and orderly dispatch of the business before the Court. T.C.A. 16-5-107 (1979 Supp.).

In 1980, the Court of Criminal Appeals held sessions during the following months: (1) Eastern Section at Knoxville - January, February, March, April, May, June, September, October and November, (2) Middle Section at Nashville - January, February, March, May, June, September, October, November and December and (3) Western Section at Jackson - January, February, March, April, May, June, September, October, November and December.

Administration

The Court of Criminal Appeals is subject to the general rules of practice and procedure prescribed by the Tennessee Supreme Court. T.C.A. 16-3-402 (1979 Supp.). Additionally, the Court of Criminal Appeals has the authority to adopt and promulgate its own rules of practice, and such rules may be revised from time to time as the Court deems advisable and proper. In 1967, the Court by resolution adopted the Rules of Appellate Practice of the Supreme Court of Tennessee as the Rules of Practice of the Court of Criminal Appeals. Supplemental rules were put into effect on June 1, 1976. Note: Any rules inconsistent with the Tennessee Rules of Appellate Procedure which became effective July 1, 1979, may be superseded by those rules.

The judges of the Court of Criminal Appeals choose the presiding judge of the Court at the first meeting of the Court after the regular judicial election. T.C.A. 16-5-106(1979 Supp.). The presiding judge is empowered to do the following:

(1) Call special meetings of the Court at the request of a majority of the members for the purpose of revising or reconsidering its rules of practice or for any other purpose that may be desired. T.C.A. 16-5-106 (1979 Supp.).

(2) Assign judges to panels. T.C.A. 16-5-107 (1979 Supp.).

(3) Designate the times and places for the sitting of each panel. T.C.A. 16-5-107 (1979 Supp.).

The clerks of the Supreme Court also serve as the clerks of the Court of Criminal Appeals; they perform the same duties and are subject to the same liabilities and receive the same compensation as prescribed by law. T.C.A. 16-5-109 (1979 Supp.).

Selection

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When a vacancy occurs on the Court of Criminal Appeals, the Appellate Court Nominating Commission selects three persons from the grand division in which the vacancy exists. T.C.A. 17-4-109 (1979 Supp.). The Governor then appoints one of the three nominees to fill the vacancy, or in the event that the Governor rejects all three nominees, the Commission continues to make nominations in sets of three until an appointment is made. T.C.A. 17-4-112 (1979 Supp.).

After the Governor has made the appointment, the appointee serves as a judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals until the next regular August biennial election (recurring more than thirty days after the vacancy). At this time he stands for election to the unexpired term of his predecessor or for a regular term of eight years as the case may be. T.C.A. 17-4-112 (1979 Supp.). In the election, the appointed judge runs unopposed and the electorate votes to retain or not retain the appointed judge. T.C.A. 17-4-114 (1979 Supp.). If a majority of those voting reject the appointed judge, then a vacancy exists as of September 1, which is filled by nomination and appointment as previously described. T.C.A. 17-4-114 through -116 (1979 Supp.).

A Court of Criminal Appeals judge must be at least thirty years of age and a citizen and a resident of Tennessee for five years prior to his/her appointment. T.C.A. 16-5-102 (1979 Supp.). Judges of the Court of Criminal Appeals are required to be learned in the law, which must be evidenced by their being admitted to the practice of law in Tennessee. T.C.A. 16-5-102 (1979 Supp.). In 1980, members of the Court of Criminal Appeals were: Western Division - Mark A. Walker (Presiding Judge), Robert K. Dwyer and Lloyd Tatum, Middle Division - Martha Craig Daughtrey, Allen R. Cornelius, Jr. and Jerry Scott and Eastern Division - Charles H. O'Brien, Joe D. Duncan and John K. Byers.

Jurisdiction

The jurisdiction of the Court of Criminal Appeals is appellate only; it has no original jurisdiction. T.C.A. 16-5-108 (1979 Supp.). The jurisdiction of the Court of Criminal Appeals extends to review of final judgments of trial courts in the following cases:

(1) Criminal cases, both felony and misdemeanor. T.C.A. 16-5-108 (1979 Supp.).

(2) *Habeas corpus* and post-conviction proceedings attacking the validity of a final judgment of conviction or the sentence in a criminal case, and other cases or proceedings instituted with reference to or arising out of a criminal case. T.C.A. 16-5-108 (1979 Supp.).

(3) Criminal contempt proceedings. T.C.A. 16-5-108 (1979 Supp.).

(4) Extradition cases. T.C.A. 16-5-108 (1979 Supp.).

The Court does not have jurisdiction over any case where the sole and single question for determination involves the constitutionality of a state statute or municipal ordinance. T.C.A. 16-5-108 (1979 Supp.).

Direct appeals to the Supreme Court in criminal cases extend only to the types of cases expressly set forth by statute. However, an appeal by permission may be taken from a final decision of the Court of Criminal Appeals to the Supreme Court on application and in the discretion of the Supreme Court. Tenn. R. App. P. 11.

Procedure

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Under the Rules, there are two principal devices which may be used to obtain review in the Court of Criminal Appeals: (1) Appeal as of Right, and (2) Appeal by Permission.

Under Rule 3, an appeal as of right may be obtained in the following cases: (1) Appeal as of Right by Defendant in Criminal Actions - In criminal actions, an appeal as of right by the defendant lies from judgment of conviction entered by the trial court from which an appeal lies to the Court of Criminal Appeals: (a) on a plea of not guilty, and (b) on a plea of guilty or *nolo contendere* under certain circumstances set forth in Rule 3. (2) Appeal as of Right by the State in Criminal Actions - In criminal actions, an appeal as of right by the state lies only from an order or judgment entered by a trial court from which an appeal lies to the Court of Criminal Appeals: (a) the substantive effect of which results in dismissing an indictment, information or complaint, (b) setting aside a verdict of guilty and entering a judgment of acquittal, (c) arresting judgment, (d) granting or refusing to revoke probation, (e) remanding a child to juvenile court, (f) involving a *habeas corpus* proceeding, (g) involving an extradition proceeding, or (h) involving a post-conviction relief proceeding.

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Court of Criminal Appeals Caseload Data

Filings

Type of Appeal	Western Section	Middle Section	Eastern Section	Total
Direct Appeals	223	169	312	704
Other	10	0	0	10
Total	233	169	312	714

Dispositions by Type

Action	Western Section	Middle Section	Eastern Section	Total
Affirmed	180	84	191	455
Reversed	2	1	1	4
Reversed & Remanded	11	17	22	50
Affirmed—Reversed in Part	7	4	5	16
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Modified & Dismissed	0	0	0	0
Remanded	2	0	3	5
Modified & Affirmed	1	4	6	11
Affirmed & Remanded	3	2	1	6
Order Denying Petition	9	2	2	13
Transfer	1	0	1	2
Dismissal	22	25	66	113
Other	1	0	1	2
Total	249	143	302	694

Dispositions—Written Opinions & Orders

	West	Middle	East	TOTAL	Concurrence	Dissent	GRAND TOTAL
Total	249	143	302	694	19	14	727

Appellate Courts—Total Filings & Dispositions, 1975-1980

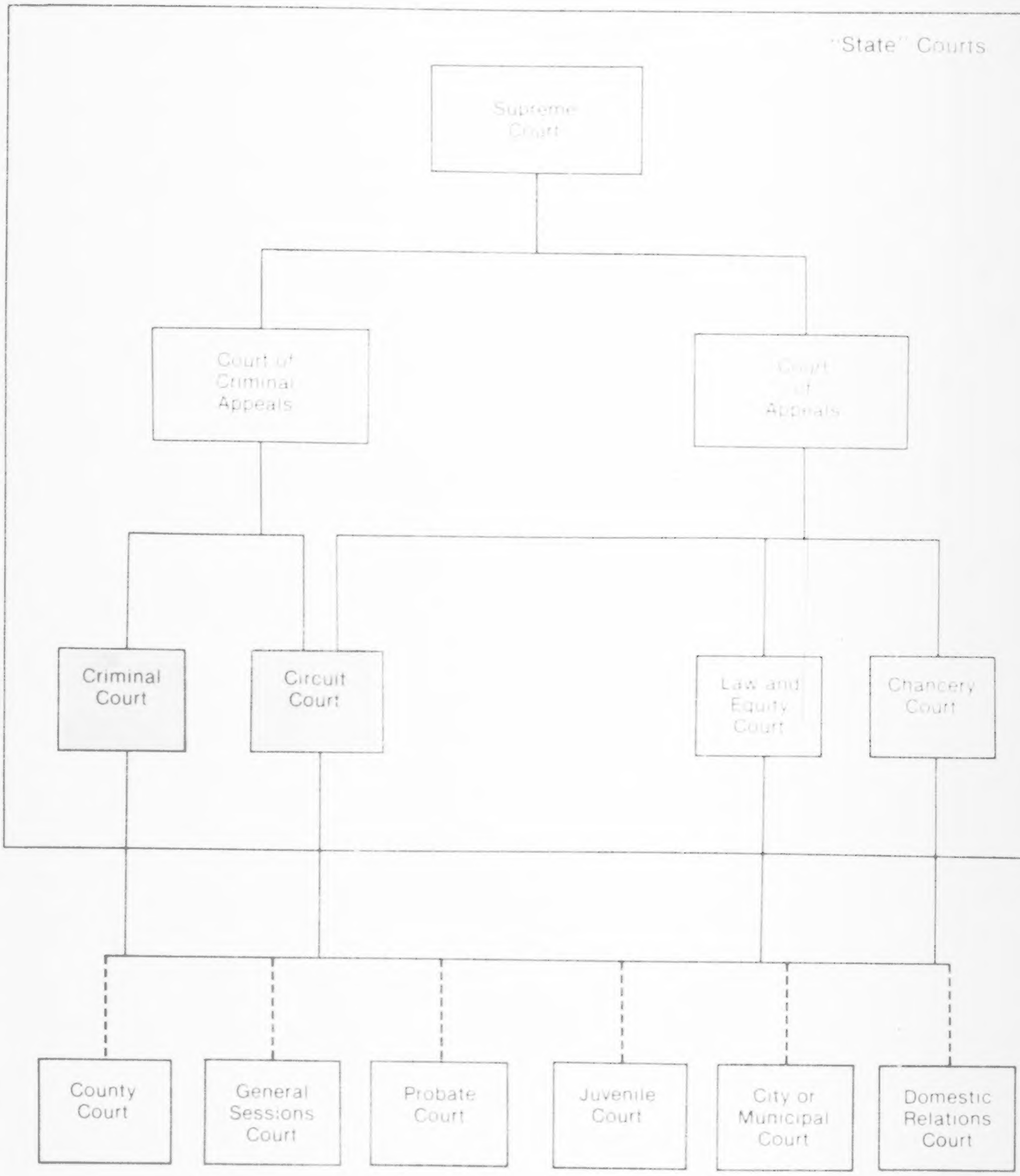
Filings

Year	Supreme Court	Court of Appeals	Court of Criminal Appeals	TOTAL
1980	734	806	714	2254
1979	854	775	663	2292
1978	813	730	694	2237
1977	879	758	714	2351
1976	897	694	636	2227
1975	868	649	630	2147

Dispositions

Year	Supreme Court	Court of Appeals	Court of Criminal Appeals	TOTAL
1980	828	755	727	2310
1979	782	888	699	2369
1978	863	832	799	2494
1977	787	785	770	2342
1976	809	688	730	2227
1975	785	536	562	1883

Circuit and Criminal Court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Circuit Court

Organization

The State of Tennessee is currently divided into thirty-one judicial circuits. T.C.A. 16-2-201 through -16-2-221, -231(1979 Supp.). Circuit court is held in each of the various counties in the circuit, starting at times and places specified by law. T.C.A. 16-2-201 through -236(1979 Supp.). The term of the court continues until the business of the term is dispatched, unless the judge is compelled to leave in order to arrive in time for the next succeeding court of the circuit. T.C.A. 16-10-203(1955). If a term is set to expire during a trial, the term is automatically extended until the trial is concluded. T.C.A. 16-10-205(1955). Court may not be adjourned during a trial except when a mistrial is ordered. T.C.A. 16-10-204(1955). T.C.A. 16-10-206(1955).

It is the duty of the circuit court judge to hold court at the time appointed by law; but if for any reason the judge should fail to appear, the clerk of the court may open and adjourn court, and if necessary, the clerk may adjourn to some future date subsequent to the time specified by law at which to hold such term, or he may adjourn until the next term. T.C.A. 16-10-201(1955); T.C.A. 18-4-104(1955). The parties may make their pleadings even though the judge is absent. T.C.A. 16-10-206(1955). The non-attendance of the judge will not discontinue any pending matter; rather, the matter is continued the next term. T.C.A. 16-10-207(1955). If the court is not held on any day during the term, there is no discontinuance, and the court may proceed to the business of the term as soon as possible. T.C.A. 16-10-202(1955).

Where the business of the court requires it, the judge may adjourn court and hold an adjourned term during or subsequent to the time fixed by law for the holding of another court by the judge. T.C.A. 16-10-208(1955). The regular jurors serve at the adjourned term as if it were the regular term. T.C.A. 16-10-209(1955). All proceedings at the adjourned terms are treated as if the term were a regular term. T.C.A. 16-10-210(1955).

Administration

The Supreme Court has certain supervisory powers with regard to the circuit courts, including but not limited to, the following:

(1) To designate and assign temporarily any judge, including circuit judges, to hold or sit as a member of any court of comparable dignity or equal or higher level, for any good and sufficient reason. T.C.A. 16-3-502(1979 Supp.).

(2) To require the Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court to monitor the dockets of the circuit and other courts. T.C.A. 16-3-502(1979 Supp.).

(3) To take affirmative and appropriate action to correct or alleviate any caseload imbalance. T.C.A. 16-3-502(1979 Supp.).

(4) To alleviate any condition adversely affecting the administration of justice. T.C.A. 16-3-502(1979 Supp.).

To provide for more efficient administration of the caseload in metropolitan counties and in areas where circuit judges, chancellors, criminal court judges or other comparable judges serve the same counties, the Supreme Court has created the position of presiding judge. Tenn. Sup. Ct. Rule 11(1)(a). The presiding judge has the authority to assign, or supervise the assignment of all cases falling within the jurisdiction of the affected courts. Tenn. Sup. Ct. Rule 11(1)(b). The presiding judge is charged with insuring that all judges hear cases without regard to the nature or category of the case, so as to equalize the judicial workload.

The principal administrative aide to the circuit court is the circuit court clerk. The clerk provides assistance in the areas of courtroom administration and records management, docket maintenance, revenue management, maintenance of court minutes, official communication and various other court-associated duties. T.C.A. 18-1-101 to 18-4-102(1955 and 1979 Supp.). The circuit court clerks are elected for a four-year term. Tenn. Const. art 6, Sec. 13; T.C.A. 18-4-101(1955). There is one circuit court clerk in each county.

Selection

Article 6, Section 4 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that the judges of the circuit courts shall be elected for a term of eight years by the voters of the district or circuit to which they are assigned. It should be noted that a circuit court judge's right to his full term and his full salary is not dependent alone upon his good conduct, but also upon the contingency that the legislature may, for the public good, consider his office unnecessary and abolish it. When the court over which a circuit court judge presides is abolished, the salary of the judge ceases. *State ex. rel. Coleman v. Campbell*, 3 Shannon's Cases 355(1875).

A circuit court judge must be at least thirty years of age, a resident of the State for five years, and a resident of the circuit or district for one year. Tenn. Const. art 6, Sec. 4. Furthermore, a circuit court judge must be authorized to practice law in the courts in Tennessee and must meet the general standards of eligibility to hold any public office as prescribed by statute. T.C.A. 17-1-106(1979 Supp.); 8-18-101(1980).

Jurisdiction

Article 6, Section 1 of the Tennessee Constitution grants the Legislature the power to establish circuit courts. The Legislature may abolish a particular circuit court without violating the Constitution. *State ex. rel. Coleman v. Campbell*, 3 Shannon's Cases 355(1875). However the Legislature does not have the power to deprive citizens of access to a circuit court. The Legislature is vested with the power to increase or diminish the jurisdiction of the circuit courts. Tenn. Const. art 6, Sec. 8.

The circuit court has general jurisdiction in all cases where jurisdiction is not conferred on another tribunal. T.C.A. 16-10-101(1955). The circuit court may hear and determine suits of an equitable nature, where there is no objection, or the court may transfer such cases to the chancery court. If the circuit court chooses to hear an equity case, it must determine the case upon the principles of a court of equity, and may exercise the powers of a court of equity including the power to order an accounting. T.C.A. 16-10-111(1979 Supp.).

The circuit court has exclusive original jurisdiction in the following cases:

(1) Cases in which the validity of a will is contested. T.C.A. 16-10-103.

(2) Suits to correct mistakes in deeds of conveyance of land, or registration thereof. T.C.A. 64-505(1976).

(3) Applications to restore citizenship by persons who have been rendered infamous by judgments of any court in the state. T.C.A. 16-10-104(1955), 40-3701(1975).

(4) All matters relating to the seizure and destruction of intoxicating liquor if the circuit court has jurisdiction in a particular county over offenses against the liquor laws of the state. T.C.A. 57-9-105(1980).

(5) Eminent domain cases and *in rem* eminent domain cases brought by the state, county or United States. T.C.A. 29-16-104, 29-17-601(1955).

(6) Motions to impose a forfeiture of $500.00 upon the county trustee for certain breaches of duty and to impose liability of the trustee's surety for such breach of duty. T.C.A. 8-11-106, -108(1980).

(7) *Writs of mandamus* to enforce the performance of any duty made incumbent by law upon the county. T.C.A. 5-1-107(1980).

(8) Suits to condemn land for nonpayment of taxes where personal property cannot be found to satisfy the distress warrant and the sheriff has levied upon the real estate. T.C.A. 67-4326, -5318(1976).

(9) Motions to proceed against any tax collector or other officer of the State who fails to collect taxes, who fails to pay over taxes received by him or who commits any act of neglect, misprison, misfeasance, or malfeasance in office. T.C.A. 67-1601, -1624(1976).

(10) Suits brought under the Governmental Tort Liability Act. T.C.A. 29-15-113(1979 Supp.).

(11) Petitions by the circuit court clerk and by the sheriff in counties without a separate criminal court requesting authority to hire deputies or assistants. T.C.A. 8-20-101(1980).

The circuit court has concurrent original jurisdiction with **chancery court** in the following cases:

(1) Suits brought for usurpation of office under Usurpation of Office or Franchise Act of Charter. T.C.A. 29-35-111(1955).

(2) Petitions for the condemnation of adulterated or misbranded goods under the Tennessee Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act. T.C.A. 52-106(b)(1977).

(3) Suits seeking injunctive relief against violators of the Liquified Petroleum Safety Act. T.C.A. 53-3611(1977).

(4) Petitions for an order requiring an accused violator of the Dairy Law to appear and produce evidence in compliance with a subpoena. T.C.A. 52-308(1977).

(5) Petitions for an order assuring compliance with the audit requirements of the Metropolitan Hospital Authority Act. T.C.A. 7-57-404(1979).

(6) Suits seeking to obtain divorce, to authorize adoptions, to release trustees, to appoint replacements for released or dead trustees, and upon petition of a trustee, to issue a decree for the sale of real or personal property. T.C.A. 16-10-108, 16-11-110(1955).

(7) Suits seeking to abate nuisances in an action seeking to recover damages caused by the nuisance. T.C.A. 16-10-110(1955).

(8) Suits to enter judgment on an award of an arbitrator and to hear and determine agreed cases. T.C.A. 16-10-105, 16-11-112(1955).

(9) Suits seeking the declaration of an abandoned child, but only in an adoption proceeding or in a proceeding brought for the purpose of rendering a child available for adoption. T.C.A. 36-110(1977); *See also St. Peters Orphan Asylum Ass'n v. Riley*, 43 Tenn. App. 683, 311 S.W.2d 336(1957).

(10) Suits to remove road commissioners for causes. T.C.A. 54-9-121(1980).

(11) Suits seeking an order requiring compliance with a subpoena issued by the Commissioner of Agriculture in the Enforcement of the Frozen Dessert Law. T.C.A. 52-341(B)(1)(b)(1977).

(12) Suits to remove the disability of a minor to sell or convey real or personal property. T.C.A. 29-31-101(1979 Supp.).

(13) Petitions to enjoin the unlawful practice of podiatry. T.C.A. 63-321(1979 Supp.).

(14) Paternity suits where a jury trial is demanded by the defendant. T.C.A. 36-227(1)(1979 Supp.).

(15) Suits seeking a restraining order or an injunction against the violation of the Radiological Health Service Act. T.C.A. 53-3308(1977).

(16) Suits to appoint receivers in vacation. T.C.A. 17-1-205(1955).

(17) Suits for delinquent land taxes due the state, county or municipality. T.C.A. 67-2003(1955).

(18) Suits to enjoin the unlawful practice of chiropractice. T.C.A. 63-418(1979 Supp.).

(19) Suits to enjoin the unlawful practice of nursing. T.C.A. 63-759(1979 Supp.).

The circuit court has concurrent original jurisdiction with **criminal court** in the following cases:

(1) Suits to restrain or enjoin violations of the Tennessee Drug Control Act. T.C.A. 52-1441(1977).

(2) Proceedings seeking an order to disinter a body for the purpose of performing an autopsy. T.C.A. 38-707(1975).

(3) Proceedings seeking an order to transfer a prisoner to a sufficient jail. T.C.A. 41-1125(1975).

(4) Proceedings under the Reciprocal Enforcement Support Act. T.C.A. 36-909(1977).

(5) All criminal matters not exclusively conferred by law on some other tribunal except those cases exclusively within the jurisdiction of the Courts of the United States. T.C.A. 40-116, -101(1975).

The circuit court has concurrent original jurisdiction with **general sessions** court in the following cases:

(1) Contractual debts and demands over $50.00 concurrent to the extent of the jurisdictional limit of the general sessions court. T.C.A. 16-10-106(1955). Note: General Sessions Court is vested with all jurisdiction once conferred by law on justices of the peace. T.C.A. 16-15-501(a),(b)(1979 Supp.).

(2) Motions for summary judgment. T.C.A. 25-3-141(1955).

(3) Cases of forcible entry and detainer. T.C.A. 29-18-107(1955).

(4) Suits seeking an order to require a vacating public officer to show cause for non-delivery of records and property to his successor. T.C.A. 8-48-102(1980).

The circuit court has concurrent original jurisdiction with **county court** in the following cases:

(1) Suits to change names. T.C.A. 29-8-101(1979 Supp.). Note: The probate court also has jurisdiction to change names.

(2) Suits to legitimate children. T.C.A. 16-10-107(1955).

The circuit court has concurrent original jurisdiction with **chancery and criminal courts** in the following cases:

(1) Suits to abate public nuisances as defined in T.C.A. 29-3-101(1979 Supp.). *See* T.C.A. 29-3-102(1955). Note: T.C.A. 29-3-102(1955) was declared unconstitutional in part in *Airways Theater v. Canale*, 366 F. Supp. 343(W.D. Tenn. 1973); *See also. State ex. rel. Webster v. Daughtery*, 530 S.W.2d 81 (Ct. App. 1975)(cert denied).

(2) Suits to remove public officers for cause. T.C.A. 8-47-103(1980).

(3) Suits to abate the public nuisance of selling soft drinks containing alcohol. T.C.A. 57-8-107(a)(1980).

(4) Worker compensation cases and suits seeking approval of a worker compensation settlement. T.C.A. 50-1018, -1006(1980).

The circuit court has concurrent original jurisdiction with the **chancery and general sessions courts** over suits to recover personal property. T.C.A. 29-30-102(1979 Supp.).

The circuit court has concurrent original jurisdiction with the **chancery and county courts** in the following cases:

(1) Suits seeking partition and distribution and for such purposes to sell real or personal property or to sell land to pay decedents' debts where personal property is insufficient. T.C.A. 16-10-109, 16-11-111,

16-16-108(1955 and 1979 Supp.); 29-27-106(1977).

(2) Petitions to condemn property to provide an easement of egress and ingress to land that is without access to any public road. T.C.A. 54-14-102(1980).

(3) Applications for the laying off of homesteads. T.C.A. 30-902(1977).

The circuit court has appellate jurisdiction of all suits and actions, of whatsoever nature, unless otherwise provided, instituted before any inferior jurisdiction, whether brought by appeal, certiorari, or in any other manner prescribed by law. T.C.A. 16-10-112(1955). An appeal in the form of a trial *de novo* may be taken to circuit court from the judgment of the county court (in which there was a jury), general sessions court, recorder or other officer of the municipality and city judge. T.C.A. 27-4-108(1955)(county court); 27-5-108(1979 Supp.) (general sessions court); 27-5-101, -102(1955)(recorder); and 6-21-508(1980)(city judge).

Procedure

In 1970, the Supreme Court adopted the Rules of Civil Procedure. These Rules were approved by the Legislature pursuant to T.C.A. 16-3-404(1979 Supp.), and took effect January 1, 1971. These Rules govern procedure in all civil actions in the circuit court, and in all other courts while exercising the jurisdiction of circuit court. Tenn. R. Civ. P. 1.

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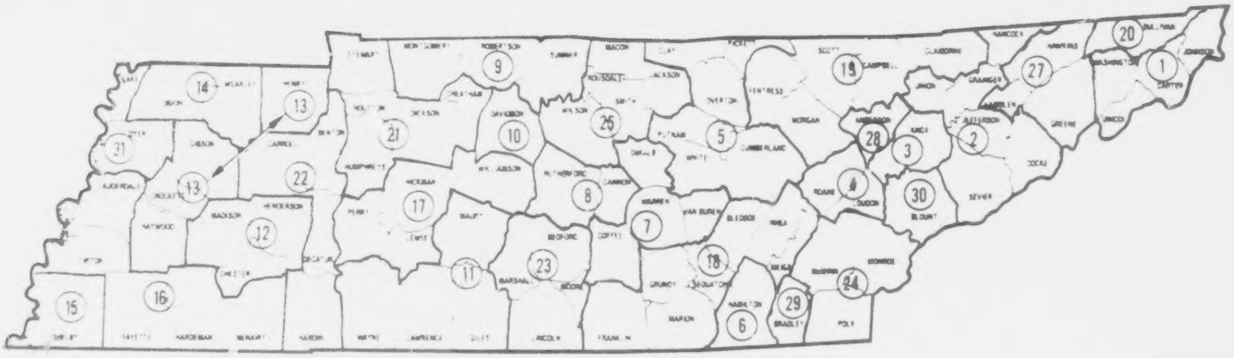
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The numbering of civil circuits does not include number 26.

Criminal Court

Organization

The legislature, acting pursuant to its constitutional authority (Tenn. Const. art 6, Sec. 1), established the circuit court as a court of general jurisdiction (T.C.A. 16-10-101(1955)), having exclusive original jurisdiction of all common law or statutory crimes and misdemeanors, unless otherwise expressly provided by statute. T.C.A. 16-10-102(1955).

At present, Tennessee is divided into thirty-one judicial circuits, twenty-nine of which handle both civil and criminal cases (T.C.A. 16-2-106 to 16-2-221, -231(1980 Supp.) (circuits one through twenty-five and twenty-eight through thirty-one)); one circuit which is civil only (T.C.A. 16-2-221, -231(I)(1979 Supp.). (circuit twenty-seven); and one which is criminal only (T.C.A. 16-2-221, -231(H)(1979 Supp.) (circuit twenty-six)). Twelve of the circuits have created separate criminal courts. (T.C.A. 16-2-201 (first circuit); 16-2-203(b) (third circuit); 16-2-204(b) (fourth circuit); 16-2-05(b) (fifth circuit); 16-2-206(b) (sixth circuit); 16-2-209(b) (ninth circuit); 16-2-210(a) (tenth circuit); 16-2-215(b) (fifteenth circuit); 16-2-219(b) (nineteenth circuit); 16-2-220 (twentieth circuit); 16-2-221, -231(E) (twenty-fourth circuit); 16-2-221, -231(G) (twenty-fifth circuit) (1980 Supp.).

By statute, the circuit courts and the criminal courts of the circuits are required to start each court session on designated days. T.C.A. 16-2-201 to 16-2-201, -231(1980 Supp.). The duration of each court term extends until the business of the term is completed, unless the judge must leave in order to begin the next succeeding term in another court in the circuit. T.C.A. 16-10-203(1955). In no case may a judge adjourn the court after the commencement of a trial unless the jury cannot agree or a mistrial is ordered. T.C.A. 16-10-204(1955). To complete a case that was started but not completed before the expiration of a term, the term of court may be extended. T.C.A. 16-10-205(1955).

Every judge is required to hold the terms of court as prescribed by law unless prevented by "unavoidable necessity." T.C.A. 17-1-201(1955). For failure to open court within three days of the beginning of each regular term, a judge is subject to the imposition of a $100 fine. T.C.A. 17-1-202(1955). After the commencement of a term, a circuit or criminal judge may adjourn court, if the business of the court requires it, and hold an adjourned term later. T.C.A. 16-10-208(1955).

Administration

The Supreme Court has certain supervisory powers with regard to the criminal courts, including but not limited to, the following:

(1) To designate and assign temporarily any judge, including criminal judges, to hold or sit as a member of any court of comparable dignity or equal or higher level, for any good and sufficient reason. T.C.A. 16-3-502(1979 Supp.).

(2) To require the Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court to monitor the dockets of the criminal and other courts. T.C.A. 16-3-502(1979 Supp.).

(3) To take affirmative and appropriate action to correct or alleviate any caseload imbalance. T.C.A. 16-3-502(1979 Supp.).

(4) To alleviate any condition adversely affecting the administration of justice. T.C.A. 16-3-502(1979 Supp.).

To provide for more efficient administration of the caseload in metropolitan counties and in areas where circuit judges, chancellors, criminal court judges or other comparable judges serve the same counties, the Supreme Court has created the position of presiding judge. Tenn. Sup. Ct. Rule 11(1)(a). The presiding judge has the authority to assign or supervise the assignment of all cases falling within the jurisdiction of the affected courts. Tenn. Sup. Ct. Rule 11(1)(a). The presiding judge is charged with insuring that all judges hear cases without regard to the nature or category of the case, so as to equalize the judicial workload.

The majority of the Public Acts of Tennessee which created criminal courts made provision for a clerk to perform the clerical duties of the court. In the criminal courts of the first, fourth, fifth, eleventh, nineteenth, twentieth, and twenty-sixth circuits, the circuit court clerks of the counties were designated to perform the duties of the clerk of the criminal courts, while maintaining separate books for the different courts. 1957 Tenn. Pub. Acts ch. 54 (first circuit); 1925 Tenn. Pub. Acts ch. 58 (fourth circuit); 1907 Tenn. Pub. Acts ch. 85 (fifth circuit); 1899 Tenn. Pub. Acts ch. 376 (eleventh circuit); 1929 Tenn. Pub. Acts ch. 89 (nineteenth circuit); 1951 Tenn. Pub. Acts ch. 73 (twentieth circuit); 1967 Tenn. Pub. Acts ch. 228 (twenty-sixth circuit).

In the criminal courts of the third, sixth, tenth and fifteenth circuits, a separate office of clerk of the criminal court was established, serving all divisions of the criminal court in those circuits, while maintaining separate books for each. 1907 Tenn. Pub. Acts ch. 1 (third circuit); 1917 Tenn. Priv. Acts ch. 780 (sixth circuit); 1856 Tenn. Priv. Acts ch. 149 (tenth circuit); 1868 Tenn. Priv. Acts ch. 87 (fifteenth circuit). In the Public Acts which created the ninth and twenty-fourth circuit criminal courts, no provision was made for the office of clerk. 1972 Tenn. Pub. Acts ch. 442 (ninth circuit); 1965 Tenn. Pub. Acts ch. 188 (twenty-fourth circuit). However, in these circuits, it appears that the circuit court clerk maintains the criminal records and case files.

Selection

Each judge of the criminal courts is elected for a term of eight years. Tenn Const. art 6, Sec. 4; T.C.A. 16-1-103(1955). A criminal court judge must have been a resident of the State for five years and of the circuit for one year prior to his election. Tenn. Const. art 6, Sec. 4. He must be at least thirty years of age (Tenn. Const. art 6, Sec. 4; T.C.A. 17-1-101(1955) and must be authorized to practice law in the courts of Tennessee. T.C.A. 17-1-106(1979 Supp.).

Jurisdiction

The circuit courts are vested with "exclusive original jurisdiction of all crimes and misdemeanors, either at common law or by statute, unless otherwise expressly provided by statute...." T.C.A. 16-10-102(1955). The criminal and circuit courts have "original jurisdiction of all criminal matters not exclusively conferred by law on some other tribunal." T.C.A. 40-116(1975).

In addition to their original jurisdiction over crimes and misdemeanors, the criminal courts are vested with original jurisdiction over special crime-related matters and over a variety of non-criminal matters. The criminal courts have jurisdiction over all matters relating to the seizure and destruction of intoxicating liquors when an offense against the liquor laws of the state has been committed. T.C.A. 57-9-105(1980). Judges of the criminal courts are given the power of magistrates (T.C.A. 40-603(1980 Supp.)), and therefore have jurisdiction to issue warrants for the arrest of a person charged with a public offense. T.C.A. 40-602(1975).

Concurrent with the **circuit courts**, the criminal courts have jurisdiction over the following:

(1) Ordering the disinterment of a body and the performance of an autopsy. T.C.A. 38-707(1975);

(2) Issuing an order to remove a prisoner from an insufficient jail to the nearest sufficient jail. T.C.A. 41-1125(1975);

(3) Restraining or enjoining violations of the Tennessee Drug Control Act of 1971. T.C.A. 52-1441(1977);

(4) Hearing proceedings for duties of support. T.C.A. 36-909(1977);

(5) Giving judgments on motions in favor of a surety against principals upon rendered judgments. T.C.A. 25-3-130(1955).

Concurrently with the **circuit courts** and the **chancery courts**, the criminal courts may exercise jurisdiction over the following:

(1) Abatement of public nuisances (T.C.A. 29-3-102(1955)), so long as the case is tried in accordance with the rules of chancery. *Webster v. Daugherty*, 530 S.W.2d 81, 87(Tenn. App. 1975);

(2) Cases to oust officers of the State from office (T.C.A. 8-47-103(1980)), provided the proceedings are conducted in accordance with the procedure of courts of chancery. T.C.A. 8-47-118(1980). Officers liable to impeachment include the "governor, judges of the Supreme Court and Court of Appeals, judges of inferior courts, chancellors, attorneys for the state, treasurer, comptroller and secretary of state...." T.C.A. 8-46-101(1980);

(3) Proposed agreements between an employer and employee for settlement of a claim under the Workers' Compensation Law. T.C.A. 50-1006(1980 Supp);

(4) Disputes over compensation between an employer and employee under the Workers' Compensation Law. T.C.A. 50-1018(1977);

(5) Appointment of receivers for property in litigation before the court in like manner as receivers are appointed by courts of chancery. T.C.A. 29-1-103(1955);

(6) Disciplinary proceedings against attorneys. T.C.A. 23-3-202(1979 Supp);

(7) Granting of extraordinary process. T.C.A. 29-1-106(1955).

The criminal courts have concurrent jurisdiction with the judges of the **circuit courts** and the **Supreme Court** to determine if a person who forfeited recognizance merits any relief from the forfeiture. T.C.A. 40-1304(1975).

All judges and chancellors of the courts of Tennessee are vested with the authority to solemnize the rites of matrimony. T.C.A. 17-1-206(1979 Supp.).

The circuit courts are vested with appellate jurisdiction over all criminal suits and actions which are originally tried in inferior courts "whether brought by application for permission to appeal or in any other manner prescribed by law," unless otherwise provided. T.C.A. 16-10-112(1955). The criminal courts that have been created are vested with jurisdiction over all criminal matters arising in their countries, which includes appellate jurisdiction over actions tried in inferior courts.

Another type of appellate jurisdiction vested in the criminal courts is the post-conviction procedure. T.C.A. 40-3803(1975). A defendant who has been convicted and is serving a prison term may, after exhaustion of his appellate remedies or passage of his time for appeal, petition for post-conviction relief in the court where the conviction occurred. T.C.A. 40-3802, 3803(1955). A judge of the criminal court, a circuit judge or a chancellor, other than the original trial judge, will be designated to hear and determine the petition. T.C.A. 40-3803(1955). The statute further provides that when an issue as to competency of counsel is raised, the original trial judge should be used, if he is available. *Id.*

Procedure

The Supreme Court adopted the Rules of Criminal Procedure, which were approved by the legislature and took effect on July 13, 1978. These rules govern all criminal proceedings conducted in all courts of record in Tennessee. Tenn. R. Crim. P. 1.

Additionally these rules govern procedure in the general sessions courts of the state to the extent of:

(a) The institution of criminal proceedings pursuant to Rules 3, 3.5, and 4;
(b) The disposition of criminal charges pursuant to Rule 5;
(c) Preliminary examinations pursuant to Rule 5.1;
(d) Subpoena, pursuant to Rule 17;
(e) Venue as outlined in Rule 18;
(f) Search and seizure pursuant to Rule 41;
(g) Assignment of counsel as provided in Rule 44;
(h) In any other situation where the context clearly indicates applicability. *Id.*

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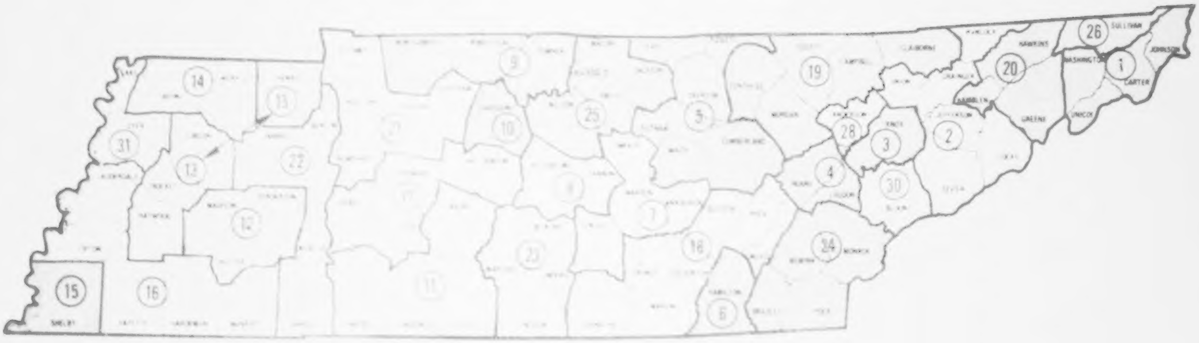

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1st Judicial Circuit—Civil Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Carter	9	220	18	34	9	290	30
Johnson	15	128	5	0	0	148	3
Unicoi	5	110	5	0	1	121	2
Washington	19	388	2	91	3	503	81
Circuit Total	**48**	**846**	**30**	**125**	**13**	**1062**	**116**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Carter	66	48	18	2	0	8	0
Johnson	9	1	4	0	1	6	0
Unicoi	21	4	5	0	2	6	0
Washington	202	8	35	3	1	10	1
Circuit Total	**298**	**61**	**62**	**5**	**4**	**30**	**1**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Carter	8	6	0	0	2	188	**478**
Johnson	0	0	0	0	0	24	**172**
Unicoi	0	0	0	0	0	40	**161**
Washington	25	8	0	0	1	375	**878**
Circuit Total	**33**	**14**	**0**	**0**	**3**	**627**	**1689**

1st Judicial Circuit—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite-For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Carter	8	1	1	100	161	46	12
Johnson	10	6	6	36	94	3	21
Unicoi	5	3	3	34	89	8	5
Washington	14	9	19	265	248	80	61
Circuit Total	**37**	**19**	**29**	**435**	**592**	**137**	**99**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Carter	54	0	0	1	11	10	**405**
Johnson	3	0	0	0	3	1	**183**
Unicoi	29	1	0	0	3	0	**180**
Washington	63	3	2	7	21	30	**822**
Circuit Total	**149**	**4**	**2**	**8**	**38**	**41**	**1590**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: Jack R. Musick and Ed E. Williams, III.

1st Judicial Circuit—Criminal Filings

County	Assault	Homicide	Kidnapping	Non-Support	Sexual Offense	Oth. Acts Against Person	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PERSON	Burglary
Carter	8	4	0	0	4	0	16	25
Johnson	12	2	0	16	4	0	34	8
Unicoi	7	1	2	21	1	0	32	11
Washington	15	5	2	1	10	0	33	42
Circuit Total	**42**	**12**	**4**	**38**	**19**	**0**	**115**	**86**

County	Fraud	Property Destruction	Robbery	Theft	Receiving Cnclg. Stoln. Prop.	Oth. Acts Against Property	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PROPERTY	Bribery
Carter	29	4	2	15	3	0	78	0
Johnson	4	0	0	13	0	0	25	0
Unicoi	3	2	0	8	0	1	25	0
Washington	14	3	8	14	7	0	88	1
Circuit Total	**50**	**9**	**10**	**50**	**10**	**1**	**216**	**1**

County	Disorderly Conduct	Drugs	DWI	Gambling	Obscenity	Obstructing Justice	Perjury	Prostitution
Carter	1	2	23	0	1	21	1	0
Johnson	2	2	6	0	0	2	0	0
Unicoi	2	13	27	0	1	4	0	0
Washington	1	37	7	1	0	4	1	0
Circuit Total	**6**	**54**	**63**	**1**	**2**	**31**	**2**	**0**

County	Weapons Possession Resale	Oth. Acts Against Public	Special Remedy	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PUBLIC	GRAND TOTAL CRIMINAL
Carter	0	4	1	54	**148**
Johnson	1	0	0	13	**72**
Unicoi	1	6	0	54	**111**
Washington	6	0	1	59	**180**
Circuit Total	**8**	**10**	**2**	**180**	**511**

1st Judicial Circuit—Criminal Dispositions

County	Acquittal	Convicted After Trial	Dismissal	Guilty Plea	Remanded To General Sessions	Special Remedy Relief	Transferred To Another Court
Carter	0	14	60	115	4	0	0
Johnson	1	3	0	22	8	0	0
Unicoi	0	4	10	50	10	0	0
Washington	1	4	22	93	2	0	0
Circuit Total	**2**	**25**	**92**	**280**	**24**	**0**	**0**

County	Defendant Not Apprehended	Nolle Prosequi	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Carter	0	0	7	**200**
Johnson	0	0	0	**34**
Unicoi	0	0	4	**78**
Washington	0	8	8	**138**
Circuit Total	**0**	**8**	**19**	**450**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: Arden Hill.

2nd Judicial Circuit—Civil Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Cocke	8	119	29	31	0	187	28
Grainger	0	40	1	10	0	51	0
Hancock	1	12	0	6	0	19	4
Jefferson	0	37	0	19	2	58	9
Sevier	5	123	1	32	8	169	28
Union	2	13	2	6	3	26	1
Circuit Total	**16**	**344**	**33**	**104**	**13**	**510**	**70**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Cocke	86	4	17	0	0	35	9
Grainger	16	2	2	0	0	10	0
Hancock	11	4	0	0	0	14	0
Jefferson	58	0	8	1	4	25	0
Sevier	110	4	22	1	12	43	0
Union	24	5	3	0	0	14	1
Circuit Total	**305**	**19**	**52**	**2**	**16**	**141**	**10**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Cocke	0	2	2	0	16	199	**386**
Grainger	0	0	0	0	4	34	**85**
Hancock	0	0	0	0	1	34	**53**
Jefferson	0	5	0	0	5	115	**173**
Sevier	1	0	0	0	19	240	**409**
Union	0	2	0	0	5	55	**81**
Circuit Total	**1**	**9**	**2**	**0**	**50**	**677**	**1187**

2nd Judicial Circuit—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Cocke	7	1	14	106	71	63	39
Grainger	0	0	0	28	28	19	0
Hancock	0	0	1	5	10	3	5
Jefferson	0	0	1	91	32	28	12
Sevier	3	1	12	186	74	69	24
Union	0	3	1	7	13	12	1
Circuit Total	**10**	**5**	**29**	**423**	**228**	**194**	**81**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Cocke	53	0	0	0	3	4	**361**
Grainger	3	0	0	0	0	0	**78**
Hancock	13	0	0	0	3	0	**40**
Jefferson	8	0	2	0	3	12	**189**
Sevier	23	4	3	1	2	26	**428**
Union	26	0	0	0	1	0	**64**
Circuit Total	**126**	**4**	**5**	**1**	**12**	**42**	**1160**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: J. Kenneth Porter and William R. Holt, Jr.

2nd Judicial Circuit—Criminal Filings

County	Assault	Homicide	Kidnapping	Non-Support	Sexual Offense	Oth. Acts Against Person	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PERSON	Burglary
Cocke	5	8	0	0	2	0	15	18
Grainger	1	0	0	0	0	3	4	1
Hancock	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
Jefferson	2	4	4	0	2	1	13	35
Sevier	12	2	0	0	10	0	24	27
Union	3	0	0	0	0	2	5	7
Circuit Total	23	14	4	0	14	6	61	96

County	Fraud	Property Destruction	Robbery	Theft	Receiving Cnclg. Stoln. Prop.	Oth. Acts Against Property	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PROPERTY	Bribery
Cocke	2	1	8	14	7	0	50	0
Grainger	1	0	1	3	3	4	13	0
Hancock	2	2	0	2	0	1	15	0
Jefferson	10	1	2	1	1	6	56	0
Sevier	1	1	6	16	1	29	81	0
Union	0	0	1	5	2	0	15	0
Circuit Total	16	5	18	41	14	40	230	0

County	Disorderly Conduct	Drugs	DWI	Gambling	Obscenity	Obstructing Justice	Perjury	Prostitution
Cocke	1	9	2	0	2	0	0	1
Grainger	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Hancock	4	2	9	0	0	1	0	0
Jefferson	0	5	9	0	0	0	0	0
Sevier	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0
Union	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
Circuit Total	5	28	23	0	2	1	0	1

County	Weapons Possession Resale	Special Remedy	Oth. Acts Against Public	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PUBLIC	GRAND TOTAL CRIMINAL
Cocke	2	0	2	19	84
Grainger	0	0	2	3	20
Hancock	0	0	2	18	33
Jefferson	0	0	4	18	87
Sevier	0	0	8	18	123
Union	0	0	2	6	26
Circuit Total	2	0	20	82	373

2nd Judicial Circuit—Criminal Dispositions

County	Acquittal	Convicted After Trial	Dismissal	Guilty Plea	Remanded To General Sessions	Special Remedy Relief	Transferred To Another Court
Cocke	3	17	1	47	0	0	0
Grainger	3	4	3	10	0	0	0
Hancock	1	6	0	21	1	0	0
Jefferson	0	38	6	18	0	0	0
Sevier	3	17	6	54	0	3	0
Union	0	9	5	10	0	0	0
Circuit Total	**10**	**91**	**21**	**160**	**1**	**3**	**0**

County	Defendant Not Apprehended	Nolle Prosequi	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Cocke	0	17	0	**85**
Grainger	0	1	0	**21**
Hancock	0	0	0	**29**
Jefferson	0	6	10	**78**
Sevier	0	4	6	**93**
Union	0	0	2	**26**
Circuit Total	**0**	**28**	**18**	**332**

3rd Judicial Circuit—Civil Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Knox	70	2150	262	188	63	2733	254
Circuit Total	**70**	**2150**	**262**	**188**	**63**	**2733**	**254**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Knox	1764	80	319	4	7	290	0
Circuit Total	**1764**	**80**	**319**	**4**	**7**	**290**	**0**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Knox	0	4	0	0	13	2735	5468
Circuit Total	**0**	**4**	**0**	**0**	**13**	**2735**	**5468**

3rd Judicial Circuit—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Knox	39	10	29	1161	1699	452	289
Circuit Total	**39**	**10**	**29**	**1161**	**1699**	**452**	**289**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Knox	1114	0	8	14	28	3	4846
Circuit Total	**1114**	**0**	**8**	**14**	**28**	**3**	**4846**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: James M. Haynes, T. Edward Cole, Chester R. Mahood and George S. Child, Jr.

3rd Judicial Circuit—Criminal Filings

County	Assault	Homicide	Kidnapping	Non-Support	Sexual Offense	Oth. Acts Against Person	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PERSON	Burglary
Knox	145	27	10	3	43	4	232	490
Circuit Total	145	27	10	3	43	4	232	490

County	Fraud	Property Destruction	Robbery	Theft	Receiving Cnclg. Stoln. Prop.	Oth. Acts Against Property	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PROPERTY	Bribery
Knox	396	22	86	309	265	3	1571	4
Circuit Total	396	22	86	309	265	3	1571	4

County	Disorderly Conduct	Drugs	DWI	Gambling	Obscenity	Obstructing Justice	Perjury	Prostitution
Knox	7	166	144	1	1	46	0	5
Circuit Total	7	166	144	1	1	46	0	5

County	Weapons Possession Resale	Special Remedy	Oth. Acts Against Public	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PUBLIC	GRAND TOTAL CRIMINAL
Knox	14	30	364	782	2585
Circuit Total	14	30	364	782	2585

3rd Judicial Circuit—Criminal Dispositions

County	Acquittal	Convicted After Trial	Dismissal	Guilty Plea	Remanded To General Sessions	Special Remedy Relief	Transferred To Another Court
Knox	41	150	211	1280	6	18	0
Circuit Total	41	150	211	1280	6	18	0

County	Defendant Not Apprehended	Nolle Prosequi	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Knox	1	16	352	2075
Circuit Total	1	16	352	2075

Judges presiding in this circuit are: Richard R. Ford, George P. Balitsaris and John J. Duncan, Jr.

4th Judicial Circuit—Civil Filings

County	**Adoption**	**Divorce**	**Petitions Modifications**	**Reciprocal Support**	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Loudon	4	8	2	25	0	39	20
Roane	19	19	1	50	0	89	32
Circuit Total	23	27	3	75	0	128	52

County	**Damages/ Torts**	**Real Estate Matters**	**Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement**	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Loudon	109	14	7	1	0	0	3
Roane	103	9	22	0	4	62	0
Circuit Total	212	23	29	1	4	62	3

County	**Mental Health**	**Special Remedy**	**Tax Matters**	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Loudon	1	0	0	0	7	162	201
Roane	0	3	0	0	2	237	326
Circuit Total	1	3	0	0	9	399	527

4th Judicial Circuit—Dispositions

County	**Adoption Decree**	**Cite For Contempt**	**Default Judgment**	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Loudon	10	0	5	38	4	44	4
Roane	13	0	5	44	10	84	12
Circuit Total	23	0	10	82	14	128	16

County	**Settled**	**Special Remedy Relief**	**Summary Judgment**	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Loudon	69	0	2	2	1	4	183
Roane	99	0	1	0	3	0	271
Circuit Total	168	0	3	2	4	4	454

Judges presiding in this circuit are: Don T. McMurray.

4th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Filings

County	Assault	Homicide	Kidnapping	Non-Support	Sexual Offense	Oth. Acts Against Person	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PERSON	Burglary
Loudon	11	0	1	0	2	0	14	51
Roane	24	4	5	1	4	2	40	61
Circuit Total	35	4	6	1	6	2	54	112

County	Fraud	Property Destruction	Robbery	Theft	Receiving Cncig. Stoln. Prop.	Oth. Acts Against Property	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PROPERTY	Bribery
Loudon	38	6	3	16	14	0	128	0
Roane	37	9	11	29	10	1	158	1
Circuit Total	75	15	14	45	24	1	286	1

County	Disorderly Conduct	Drugs	DWI	Gambling	Obscenity	Obstructing Justice	Perjury	Prostitution
Loudon	11	24	31	0	0	7	0	0
Roane	8	33	11	0	0	15	0	0
Circuit Total	19	57	42	0	0	22	0	0

County	Weapons Possession Resale	Special Remedy	Oth. Acts Against Public	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PUBLIC	GRAND TOTAL CRIMINAL
Loudon	3	0	23	99	241
Roane	0	4	9	81	279
Circuit Total	3	4	32	180	520

4th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Dispositions

County	Acquittal	Convicted After Trial	Dismissal	Guilty Plea	Remanded To General Sessions	Special Remedy Relief	Transferred To Another Court
Loudon	5	20	6	170	9	0	0
Roane	33	35	5	140	2	1	0
Circuit Total	38	55	11	310	11	1	0

County	Defendant Not Apprehended	Nolle Prosequi	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Loudon	0	42	19	271
Roane	2	2	1	221
Circuit Total	2	44	20	492

Judges presiding in this circuit are: E. Eugene Eblen.

5th Judicial Circuit—Civil Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Clay	4	10	0	2	2	18	6
Cumberland	1	11	0	18	3	33	19
Overton	7	4	0	0	0	11	24
Pickett	0	4	0	2	0	6	0
Putnam	17	48	6	0	0	71	28
White	0	2	0	0	0	2	4
Circuit Total	**29**	**79**	**6**	**22**	**5**	**141**	**81**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Clay	9	3	1	0	0	1	0
Cumberland	45	12	4	0	0	7	0
Overton	27	1	4	0	1	3	0
Pickett	3	1	1	0	0	2	1
Putnam	80	8	34	0	0	39	0
White	10	0	3	0	0	0	0
Circuit Total	**174**	**25**	**47**	**0**	**1**	**52**	**1**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Clay	0	0	0	0	0	20	38
Cumberland	0	0	0	0	1	88	121
Overton	0	1	0	0	0	61	72
Pickett	0	0	0	0	0	8	14
Putnam	0	0	0	0	0	189	260
White	0	0	0	0	1	18	20
Circuit Total	**0**	**1**	**0**	**0**	**2**	**384**	**525**

5th Judicial Circuit—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Clay	1	0	1	1	1	1	2
Cumberland	5	0	6	39	15	17	
Overton	5	0	24	16	1	3	
Pickett	0	0	1	14	3	1	0
Putnam	8	0	5	44	21	1	0
White	0	0	3	24	4	0	0
Circuit Total	**19**	**0**	**40**	**138**	**45**	**23**	**2**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate. Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Clay	5	0	0	0	0	2	12
Cumberland	13	0	0	0	1	6	104
Overton	12	0	0	0	0	0	61
Pickett	8	0	1	0	0	1	29
Putnam	68	0	2	0	0	0	149
White	1	0	19	0	1	0	52
Circuit Total	**107**	**0**	**22**	**0**	**2**	**9**	**407**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: Thomas H. Haile.

5th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Filings

County	Assault	Homicide	Kidnapping	Non-Support	Sexual Offense	Oth. Acts Against Person	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PERSON	Burglary
Clay	3	1	0	1	1	1	7	5
Cumberland	25	1	3	17	2	75	123	41
Overton	5	1	0	0	0	2	8	16
Pickett	2	2	0	1	0	0	5	1
Putnam	18	4	1	75	5	5	108	48
White	2	1	1	0	2	2	8	9
Circuit Total	**55**	**10**	**5**	**94**	**10**	**85**	**259**	**120**

County	Fraud	Property Destruction	Robbery	Theft	Receiving Cnclg. Stoln. Prop.	Oth. Acts Against Property	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PROPERTY	Bribery
Clay	3	0	0	1	3	2	14	0
Cumberland	19	7	8	15	11	0	101	0
Overton	11	2	1	5	0	1	36	1
Pickett	3	0	0	1	1	0	6	0
Putnam	61	2	3	61	27	3	205	2
White	24	0	2	5	5	8	53	0
Circuit Total	**121**	**11**	**14**	**88**	**47**	**14**	**415**	**3**

County	Disorderly Conduct	Drugs	DWI	Gambling	Obscenity	Obstructing Justice	Perjury	Prostitution
Clay	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cumberland	2	34	4	0	0	3	0	0
Overton	0	10	16	0	0	5	0	0
Pickett	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Putnam	13	32	62	0	0	0	1	0
White	0	14	10	0	0	2	0	0
Circuit Total	**15**	**92**	**92**	**0**	**0**	**10**	**1**	**0**

County	Weapons Possession Resale	Special Remedy	Oth. Acts Against Public	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PUBLIC	GRAND TOTAL CRIMINAL
Clay	1	1	4	8	**29**
Cumberland	0	1	9	53	**277**
Overton	0	0	5	37	**81**
Pickett	1	0	4	5	**16**
Putnam	0	0	19	129	**442**
White	3	0	12	41	**102**
Circuit Total	**5**	**2**	**53**	**273**	**947**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: Leon C. Burns, Jr.

5th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Dispositions

County	Acquittal	Convicted After Trial	Dismissal	Guilty Plea	Remanded To General Sessions	Special Remedy Relief	Transferred To Another Court
Clay	2	7	19	3	0	0	1
Cumberland	0	34	9	71	0	0	0
Overton	2	12	7	28	4	0	0
Pickett	2	1	5	5	0	0	2
Putnam	4	4	34	151	2	0	4
White	0	3	11	78	0	0	0
Circuit Total	**10**	**61**	**85**	**336**	**6**	**0**	**7**

County	Defendant Not Apprehended	Nolle Prosequi	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Clay	0	0	5	**37**
Cumberland	0	55	6	**175**
Overton	0	4	0	**57**
Pickett	1	2	0	**18**
Putnam	0	40	34	**273**
White	0	1	24	**117**
Circuit Total	**1**	**102**	**69**	**677**

6th Judicial Circuit—Civil Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Hamilton	48	2721	576	307	29	3681	12
Circuit Total	**48**	**2721**	**576**	**307**	**29**	**3681**	**12**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Hamilton	1011	5	275	4	0	215	0
Circuit Total	**1011**	**5**	**275**	**4**	**0**	**215**	**0**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Hamilton	116	3	1	0	113	1755	**5436**
Circuit Total	**116**	**3**	**1**	**0**	**113**	**1755**	**5436**

6th Judicial Circuit—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Hamilton	54	0	2	1565	2090	660	537
Circuit Total	**54**	**0**	**2**	**1565**	**2090**	**660**	**537**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Hamilton	501	0	3	0	9	38	**5459**
Circuit Total	**501**	**0**	**3**	**0**	**9**	**38**	**5459**

Judges presiding in this circuit are David Tom Walker, Robert M. Summitt, H. Ted Milburn, Samuel H. Payne and County Judge Don Morgan

6th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Filings

County	Assault	Homicide	Kidnapping	Non-Support	Sexual Offense	Oth. Acts Against Person	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PERSON	Burglary
Hamilton	335	45	14	0	43	10	447	587
Circuit Total	**335**	**45**	**14**	**0**	**43**	**10**	**447**	**587**

County	Fraud	Property Destruction	Robbery	Theft	Receiving Cnclg. Stoln. Prop.	Oth. Acts Against Property	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PROPERTY	Bribery
Hamilton	1111	25	125	401	196	42	2487	0
Circuit Total	**1111**	**25**	**125**	**401**	**196**	**42**	**2487**	**0**

County	Disorderly Conduct	Drugs	DWI	Gambling	Obscenity	Obstructing Justice	Perjury	Prostitution
Hamilton	106	370	117	0	0	66	0	1
Circuit Total	**106**	**370**	**117**	**0**	**0**	**66**	**0**	**1**

County	Weapons Possession Resale	Special Remedy	Oth. Acts Against Public	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PUBLIC	GRAND TOTAL CRIMINAL
Hamilton	72	20	225	977	**3911**
Circuit Total	**72**	**20**	**225**	**977**	**3911**

6th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Dispositions

County	Acquittal	Convicted After Trial	Dismissal	Guilty Plea	Remanded To General Sessions	Special Remedy Relief	Transferred To Another Court
Hamilton	63	97	598	2725	0	0	0
Circuit Total	**63**	**97**	**598**	**2725**	**0**	**0**	**0**

County	Defendant Not Apprehended	Nolle Prosequi	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Hamilton	235	0	193	**3911**
Circuit Total	**235**	**0**	**193**	**3911**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: R. Campbell Carden, Russell Hinson and Joseph F. DiRisio.

7th Judicial Circuit—Civil Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Coffee	13	222	22	55	7	319	34
DeKalb	3	119	11	29	0	162	27
Van Buren	1	8	3	2	0	14	1
Warren	16	59	1	24	3	103	16
Circuit Total	**33**	**408**	**37**	**110**	**10**	**598**	**78**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Coffee	79	2	30	1	0	13	0
DeKalb	34	33	5	2	2	2	0
Van Buren	9	1	0	0	0	3	4
Warren	41	9	16	1	0	14	0
Circuit Total	**163**	**45**	**51**	**4**	**2**	**32**	**4**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Coffee	0	0	0	0	6	165	**484**
DeKalb	1	6	0	0	2	114	**276**
Van Buren	0	0	0	0	1	19	**33**
Warren	0	0	0	0	17	114	**217**
Circuit Total	**1**	**6**	**0**	**0**	**26**	**412**	**1010**

7th Judicial Circuit—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Coffee	10	10	5	85	188	28	4
DeKalb	1	0	7	52	77	16	11
Van Buren	0	0	0	5	2	5	2
Warren	11	0	0	51	35	37	5
Circuit Total	**22**	**10**	**12**	**193**	**302**	**86**	**22**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Coffee	65	0	0	3	27	6	**431**
DeKalb	3	1	6	0	0	0	**174**
Van Buren	8	0	0	0	0	0	**22**
Warren	5	0	20	1	1	3	**169**
Circuit Total	**81**	**1**	**26**	**4**	**28**	**9**	**796**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: Gerald L. Ewell, Sr. and Charles D. Haston.

7th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Filings

County	Assault	Homicide	Kidnapping	Non-Support	Sexual Offense	Oth. Acts Against Person	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PERSON	Burglary
Coffee	9	2	2	0	2	9	24	28
DeKalb	30	0	1	0	1	0	32	35
Van Buren	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	3
Warren	7	2	0	0	1	1	11	14
Circuit Total	**49**	**5**	**4**	**0**	**4**	**10**	**72**	**80**

County	Fraud	Property Destruction	Robbery	Theft	Receiving Cnclg. Stoln. Prop.	Oth. Acts Against Property	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PROPERTY	Bribery
Coffee	26	1	8	27	10	14	114	0
DeKalb	40	7	1	24	9	0	116	0
Van Buren	2	2	0	1	1	0	9	0
Warren	23	0	4	9	11	4	65	0
Circuit Total	**91**	**10**	**13**	**61**	**31**	**18**	**304**	**0**

County	Disorderly Conduct	Drugs	DWI	Gambling	Obscenity	Obstructing Justice	Perjury	Prostitution
Coffee	1	111	10	1	1	8	0	0
DeKalb	25	26	15	0	0	14	0	0
Van Buren	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	0
Warren	0	50	8	0	0	0	0	0
Circuit Total	**26**	**188**	**36**	**1**	**1**	**22**	**0**	**0**

County	Weapons Possession Resale	Special Remedy	Oth. Acts Against Public	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PUBLIC	GRAND TOTAL CRIMINAL
Coffee	0	4	17	153	291
DeKalb	6	0	3	89	237
Van Buren	0	0	3	7	21
Warren	0	0	10	68	144
Circuit Total	**6**	**4**	**33**	**317**	**693**

7th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Dispositions

County	Acquittal	Convicted After Trial	Dismissal	Guilty Plea	Remanded To General Sessions	Special Remedy Relief	Transferred To Another Court
Coffee	2	18	1	122	2	0	0
DeKalb	2	3	2	56	0	1	0
Van Buren	0	1	1	3	2	0	0
Warren	0	5	1	65	0	0	0
Circuit Total	**4**	**27**	**5**	**246**	**4**	**1**	**0**

County	Defendant Not Apprehended	Nolle Prosequi	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Coffee	0	20	15	180
DeKalb	0	8	1	73
Van Buren	0	2	0	9
Warren	0	21	0	92
Circuit Total	**0**	**51**	**16**	**354**

8th Judicial Circuit—Civil Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Cannon	0	27	2	6	0	35	1
Rutherford	31	605	22	171	5	834	52
Circuit Total	**31**	**632**	**24**	**177**	**5**	**869**	**53**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Cannon	17	6	2	1	0	12	0
Rutherford	119	2	40	3	16	50	1
Circuit Total	**136**	**8**	**42**	**4**	**16**	**62**	**1**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Cannon	0	0	0	0	1	40	**75**
Rutherford	0	4	0	1	28	316	**1150**
Circuit Total	**0**	**4**	**0**	**1**	**29**	**356**	**1225**

8th Judicial Circuit—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Cannon	1	0	0	20	22	16	2
Rutherford	25	1	14	307	446	119	87
Circuit Total	**26**	**1**	**14**	**327**	**468**	**135**	**89**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Cannon	11	0	0	0	0	8	**80**
Rutherford	15	0	2	0	13	3	**1032**
Circuit Total	**26**	**0**	**2**	**0**	**13**	**11**	**1112**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: Joseph S. Daniel.

8th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Filings

County	Assault	Homicide	Kidnapping	Non-Support	Sexual Offense	Oth. Acts Against Person	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PERSON	Burglary
Cannon	1	1	0	0	1	11	14	10
Rutherford	46	11	4	0	3	1	65	70
Circuit Total	**47**	**12**	**4**	**0**	**4**	**12**	**79**	**80**

County	Fraud	Property Destruction	Robbery	Theft	Receiving Cnclg. Stoln. Prop.	Oth. Acts Against Property	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PROPERTY	Bribery
Cannon	7	1	2	5	0	0	25	0
Rutherford	309	13	25	88	20	5	530	0
Circuit Total	**316**	**14**	**27**	**93**	**20**	**5**	**555**	**0**

County	Disorderly Conduct	Drugs	DWI	Gambling	Obscenity	Obstructing Justice	Perjury	Prostitution
Cannon	1	4	1	0	0	0	0	0
Rutherford	9	38	138	0	1	17	1	0
Circuit Total	**10**	**42**	**139**	**0**	**1**	**17**	**1**	**0**

County	Weapons Possession Resale	Special Remedy	Oth. Acts Against Public	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PUBLIC	GRAND TOTAL CRIMINAL
Cannon	0	0	3	9	**48**
Rutherford	3	0	94	301	**896**
Circuit Total	**3**	**0**	**97**	**310**	**944**

8th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Dispositions

County	Acquittal	Convicted After Trial	Dismissal	Guilty Plea	Remanded To General Sessions	Special Remedy Relief	Transferred To Another Court
Cannon	0	4	9	35	0	1	2
Rutherford	1	10	174	585	0	0	0
Circuit Total	**1**	**14**	**183**	**620**	**0**	**1**	**2**

County	Defendant Not Apprehended	Nolle Prosequi	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Cannon	0	0	4	**55**
Rutherford	0	1	6	**777**
Circuit Total	**0**	**1**	**10**	**832**

9th Judicial Circuit—Civil Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Montgomery	1	15	2	0	9	27	7
Robertson	11	32	3	49	0	95	33
Sumner	31	548	73	114	11	777	134
Circuit Total	**43**	**595**	**78**	**163**	**20**	**899**	**174**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate. Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Montgomery	75	4	25	1	0	59	0
Robertson	62	11	9	0	1	48	0
Sumner	229	69	45	4	0	98	27
Circuit Total	**366**	**84**	**79**	**5**	**1**	**205**	**27**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Montgomery	0	0	1	0	2	174	**201**
Robertson	0	1	0	0	2	167	**262**
Sumner	7	4	0	0	5	622	**1399**
Circuit Total	**7**	**5**	**1**	**0**	**9**	**963**	**1862**

9th Judicial Circuit—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Montgomery	2	0	0	115	7	49	2
Robertson	7	1	8	49	19	53	0
Sumner	31	16	34	249	399	176	35
Circuit Total	**40**	**17**	**42**	**413**	**425**	**278**	**37**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Montgomery	4	0	0	0	2	194	**375**
Robertson	14	0	0	0	9	0	**160**
Sumner	212	1	7	0	13	48	**1221**
Circuit Total	**230**	**1**	**7**	**0**	**24**	**242**	**1756**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: Thomas Boyers, III.

9th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Filings

County	Assault	Homicide	Kidnapping	Non-Support	Sexual Offense	Oth. Acts Against Person	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PERSON	Burglary
Montgomery	40	12	2	0	10	10	74	79
Robertson	5	8	1	0	4	4	22	32
Sumner	20	13	0	0	9	2	44	70
Circuit Total	65	33	3	0	23	16	140	181

County	Fraud	Property Destruction	Robbery	Theft	Receiving Cnclg. Stoln. Prop	Oth. Acts Against Property	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PROPERTY	Bribery
Montgomery	229	8	14	121	40	10	501	0
Robertson	16	3	9	15	9	7	91	1
Sumner	40	1	10	33	31	11	196	0
Circuit Total	285	12	33	169	80	28	788	1

County	Disorderly Conduct	Drugs	DWI	Gambling	Obscenity	Obstructing Justice	Perjury	Prostitution
Montgomery	15	98	71	1	1	12	1	1
Robertson	0	12	15	0	0	1	0	0
Sumner	1	46	12	0	0	1	1	0
Circuit Total	16	156	98	1	1	14	2	1

County	Weapons Possession Resale	Special Remedy	Oth. Acts Against Public	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PUBLIC	GRAND TOTAL CRIMINAL
Montgomery	9	3	28	240	815
Robertson	1	1	6	37	150
Sumner	2	0	13	76	316
Circuit Total	12	4	47	353	1281

9th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Dispositions

County	Acquittal	Convicted After Trial	Dismissal	Guilty Plea	Remanded To General Sessions	Special Remedy Relief	Transferred To Another Court
Montgomery	13	29	26	487	0	7	0
Robertson	2	51	18	71	2	0	0
Sumner	5	36	19	197	4	0	1
Circuit Total	20	116	63	755	6	7	1

County	Defendant Not Apprehended	Nolle Prosequi	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Montgomery	47	104	30	743
Robertson	0	0	0	144
Sumner	7	1	4	274
Circuit Total	54	105	34	1161

Judges presiding in this circuit are Ernest Pellegrin and Law and Equity Judge Sam Boaz

10th Judicial Circuit—Civil Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Davidson	231	4750	944	737	88	6750	272
Circuit Total	**231**	**4750**	**944**	**737**	**88**	**6750**	**272**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Davidson	1348	48	402	2	0	494	0
Circuit Total	**1348**	**48**	**402**	**2**	**0**	**494**	**0**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Davidson	88	12	0	2	211	2879	**9629**
Circuit Total	**88**	**12**	**0**	**2**	**211**	**2879**	**9629**

10th Judicial Circuit—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Davidson	218	70	38	1719	3778	611	781
Circuit Total	**218**	**70**	**38**	**1719**	**3778**	**611**	**781**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Davidson	1397	1	5	2	30	174	**8824**
Circuit Total	**1397**	**1**	**5**	**2**	**30**	**174**	**8824**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: Benson Trimble, James M. Swiggart, Joe C. Loser, Jr., Stephen North, Hamilton Gayden, Jr. and Harry S. Lester.

10th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Filings

County	Assault	Homicide	Kidnapping	Non-Support	Sexual Offense	Oth. Acts Against Person	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PERSON	Burglary
Davidson	88	56	4	1	26	0	175	196
Circuit Total	**88**	**56**	**4**	**1**	**26**	**0**	**175**	**196**

County	Fraud	Property Destruction	Robbery	Theft	Receiving Cnclg. Stoln. Prop.	Oth. Acts Against Property	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PROPERTY	Bribery
Davidson	250	15	144	201	109	12	927	5
Circuit Total	**250**	**15**	**144**	**201**	**109**	**12**	**927**	**5**

County	Disorderly Conduct	Drugs	DWI	Gambling	Obscenity	Obstructing Justice	Perjury	Prostitution
Davidson	6	113	1297	5	0	69	0	7
Circuit Total	**6**	**113**	**1297**	**5**	**0**	**69**	**0**	**7**

County	Weapons Possession Resale	Special Remedy	Oth. Acts Against Public	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PUBLIC	GRAND TOTAL CRIMINAL
Davidson	31	0	136	1669	2771
Circuit Total	**31**	**0**	**136**	**1669**	**2771**

10th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Dispositions

County	Acquittal	Convicted After Trial	Dismissal	Guilty Plea	Remanded To General Sessions	Special Remedy Relief	Transferred To Another Court
Davidson	11	85	139	1892	0	1	0
Circuit Total	**11**	**85**	**139**	**1892**	**0**	**1**	**0**

County	Defendant Not Apprehended	Nolle Prosequi	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Davidson	0	73	338	2539
Circuit Total	**0**	**73**	**338**	**2539**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: Raymond H. Leathers, John L. Draper and A.A. Birch, Jr.

11th Judicial Circuit—Civil Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Giles	0	0	0	13	0	13	4
Lawrence	3	5	1	17	0	26	13
Maury	3	9	2	39	6	59	24
Wayne	0	0	2	6	0	8	2
Circuit Total	**6**	**14**	**5**	**75**	**6**	**106**	**43**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Giles	17	44	9	1	0	21	0
Lawrence	40	5	44	0	0	41	0
Maury	62	1	54	0	2	54	0
Wayne	26	2	0	0	0	16	2
Circuit Total	**145**	**52**	**107**	**1**	**2**	**132**	**2**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Giles	0	3	0	0	1	100	**113**
Lawrence	3	0	1	0	2	149	**175**
Maury	0	0	0	0	5	202	**261**
Wayne	2	0	0	0	1	51	**59**
Circuit Total	**5**	**3**	**1**	**0**	**9**	**502**	**608**

11th Judicial Circuit—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Giles	0	0	0	28	0	16	0
Lawrence	5	2	3	39	0	33	1
Maury	1	1	10	51	4	78	9
Wayne	0	1	0	13	0	18	0
Circuit Total	**6**	**4**	**13**	**131**	**4**	**145**	**10**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Giles	14	0	0	0	1	0	**59**
Lawrence	64	0	0	0	6	2	**155**
Maury	92	0	3	0	1	1	**251**
Wayne	27	0	0	0	2	1	**62**
Circuit Total	**197**	**0**	**3**	**0**	**10**	**4**	**527**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: Joe M. Ingram, James L. Weatherford and Robert L. Jones.

11th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Filings

County	Assault	Homicide	Kidnapping	Non-Support	Sexual Offense	Oth Acts Against Person	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PERSON	Burglary
Giles	7	3	0	0	3	0	13	35
Lawrence	8	5	0	0	1	2	16	101
Maury	46	9	0	0	2	7	64	88
Wayne	3	2	0	0	0	0	5	1
Circuit Total	**64**	**19**	**0**	**0**	6	9	98	225

County	Fraud	Property Destruction	Robbery	Theft	Receiving Cnclg. Stoln. Prop	Oth. Acts Against Property	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PROPERTY	Bribery
Giles	34	4	3	20	12	0	108	0
Lawrence	79	13	21	36	10	2	262	0
Maury	120	13	16	92	38	19	386	0
Wayne	26	4	2	4	6	0	43	0
Circuit Total	**259**	**34**	**42**	152	66	21	799	0

County	Disorderly Conduct	Drugs	DWI	Gambling	Obscenity	Obstructing Justice	Perjury	Prostitution
Giles	0	10	4	0	0	0	0	0
Lawrence	2	29	5	4	1	17	0	0
Maury	19	42	39	1	0	12	0	0
Wayne	5	6	1	2	0	2	0	0
Circuit Total	**26**	**87**	**49**	7	1	31	0	0

County	Weapons Possession Resale	Special Remedy	Oth. Acts Against Public	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PUBLIC	GRAND TOTAL CRIMINAL
Giles	3	0	6	23	144
Lawrence	5	0	3	66	344
Maury	16	2	48	179	629
Wayne	0	0	4	20	68
Circuit Total	**24**	**2**	**61**	**288**	1185

11th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Dispositions

County	Acquittal	Convicted After Trial	Dismissal	Guilty Plea	Remanded To General Sessions	Special Remedy Relief	Transferred To Another Court
Giles	3	4	11	82	0	0	0
Lawrence	8	23	7	259	2	0	0
Maury	13	88	26	378	0	0	1
Wayne	2	11	15	32	2	0	0
Circuit Total	**26**	**126**	**59**	751	4	0	1

County	Defendant Not Apprehended	Nolle Prosequi	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Giles	0	2	1	103
Lawrence	2	48	26	375
Maury	30	77	27	640
Wayne	0	12	4	78
Circuit Total	**32**	**139**	**58**	1196

12th Judicial Circuit—Civil Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Chester	1	5	0	7	1	14	7
Henderson	0	69	4	25	2	100	2
Madison	0	5	0	0	3	8	17
Circuit Total	**1**	**79**	**4**	**32**	**6**	**122**	**26**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Chester	17	0	1	0	1	2	0
Henderson	30	0	3	1	1	12	15
Madison	121	1	20	2	0	69	0
Circuit Total	**168**	**1**	**24**	**3**	**2**	**83**	**15**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Chester	0	0	0	0	1	29	43
Henderson	0	1	0	0	4	69	169
Madison	8	5	0	0	6	249	257
Circuit Total	**8**	**6**	**0**	**0**	**11**	**347**	**469**

12th Judicial Circuit—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Chester	3	2	0	19	1	5	1
Henderson	0	5	5	48	51	5	12
Madison	0	0	25	87	2	36	0
Circuit Total	**3**	**7**	**30**	**154**	**54**	**46**	**13**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Chester	3	6	0	1	0	0	41
Henderson	9	0	5	0	2	0	142
Madison	46	1	3	0	2	13	215
Circuit Total	**58**	**7**	**8**	**1**	**4**	**13**	**398**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: Andrew T. Taylor and Gene Walker.

12th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Filings

County	Assault	Homicide	Kidnapping	Non-Support	Sexual Offense	Oth. Acts Against Person	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PERSON	Burglary
Chester	8	0	0	0	0	0	8	9
Henderson	10	1	0	0	2	0	13	17
Madison	27	10	2	0	17	2	58	149
Circuit Total	**45**	**11**	**2**	**0**	**19**	**2**	**79**	**175**

County	Fraud	Property Destruction	Robbery	Theft	Receiving Cnclg. Stoln. Prop.	Oth. Acts Against Property	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PROPERTY	Bribery
Chester	8	1	0	4	0	0	22	0
Henderson	37	6	2	15	6	4	87	0
Madison	44	14	34	92	14	70	417	0
Circuit Total	**89**	**21**	**36**	**111**	**20**	**74**	**526**	**0**

County	Disorderly Conduct	Drugs	DWI	Gambling	Obscenity	Obstructing Justice	Perjury	Prostitution
Chester	0	19	2	0	0	0	0	0
Henderson	0	19	11	0	0	0	0	0
Madison	2	138	36	0	1	2	1	0
Circuit Total	**2**	**176**	**49**	**0**	**1**	**2**	**1**	**0**

County	Weapons Possession Resale	Special Remedy	Oth. Acts Against Public	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PUBLIC	GRAND TOTAL CRIMINAL
Chester	0	0	5	26	**56**
Henderson	2	0	8	40	**140**
Madison	2	0	14	196	**671**
Circuit Total	**4**	**0**	**27**	**262**	**867**

12th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Dispositions

County	Acquittal	Convicted After Trial	Dismissal	Guilty Plea	Remanded To General Sessions	Special Remedy Relief	Transferred To Another Court
Chester	0	5	3	29	0	20	0
Henderson	1	3	9	75	0	0	0
Madison	21	43	14	328	1	0	1
Circuit Total	**22**	**51**	**26**	**432**	**1**	**20**	**1**

County	Defendant Not Apprehended	Nolle Prosequi	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Chester	0	3	0	**60**
Henderson	2	6	1	**97**
Madison	37	62	8	**515**
Circuit Total	**39**	**71**	**9**	**672**

13th Judicial Circuit—Civil Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Crockett	0	0	6	15	1	22	1
Gibson	0	4	0	63	0	67	1
Haywood	0	1	2	3	0	6	5
Henry	0	37	0	50	1	88	7
Circuit Total	**0**	**42**	**8**	**131**	**2**	**183**	**14**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Crockett	16	5	1	1	0	5	6
Gibson	13	0	3	0	0	8	2
Haywood	15	0	1	0	0	0	0
Henry	21	20	10	1	0	35	0
Circuit Total	**65**	**25**	**15**	**2**	**0**	**48**	**8**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Crockett	0	1	0	0	2	38	60
Gibson	0	2	0	0	0	29	96
Haywood	0	0	0	0	0	21	27
Henry	1	1	0	0	9	105	193
Circuit Total	**1**	**4**	**0**	**0**	**11**	**193**	**376**

13th Judicial Circuit—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Crockett	0	3	2	10	0	1	3
Gibson	1	0	1	41	0	5	16
Haywood	0	0	2	7	1	7	4
Henry	0	0	3	49	29	18	2
Circuit Total	**1**	**3**	**8**	**107**	**30**	**31**	**25**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Crockett	9	0	0	1	6	1	36
Gibson	6	2	0	0	26	7	105
Haywood	4	0	1	0	0	0	26
Henry	53	0	0	0	1	4	159
Circuit Total	**72**	**2**	**1**	**1**	**33**	**12**	**326**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: Dick Jerman, Jr.

13th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Filings

County	Assault	Homicide	Kidnapping	Non-Support	Sexual Offense	Oth. Acts Against Person	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PERSON	Burglary
Crockett	3	1	0	0	1	2	7	5
Gibson	30	3	1	0	10	11	55	52
Haywood	9	1	1	0	1	0	12	8
Henry	18	13	2	0	1	1	35	23
Circuit Total	60	18	4	0	13	14	109	88

County	Fraud	Property Destruction	Robbery	Theft	Receiving Cnclg. Stoln. Prop.	Oth. Acts Against Property	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PROPERTY	Bribery
Crockett	20	1	2	22	0	1	51	0
Gibson	33	1	15	34	1	8	144	0
Haywood	15	0	3	22	0	0	48	0
Henry	16	3	3	37	2	0	84	0
Circuit Total	84	5	23	115	3	9	327	0

County	Disorderly Conduct	Drugs	DWI	Gambling	Obscenity	Obstructing Justice	Perjury	Prostitution
Crockett	0	17	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gibson	5	57	11	0	1	2	0	0
Haywood	0	7	2	0	0	2	0	0
Henry	2	42	19	0	0	6	0	0
Circuit Total	7	123	32	0	1	10	0	0

County	Weapons Possession Resale	Special Remedy	Oth. Acts Against Public	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PUBLIC	GRAND TOTAL CRIMINAL
Crockett	0	0	3	20	78
Gibson	1	7	12	96	295
Haywood	1	0	0	12	72
Henry	1	1	4	75	194
Circuit Total	3	8	19	203	639

13th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Dispositions

County	Acquittal	Convicted After Trial	Dismissal	Guilty Plea	Remanded To General Sessions	Special Remedy Relief	Transferred To Another Court
Crockett	0	3	6	61	0	0	2
Gibson	2	13	22	143	0	0	1
Haywood	0	1	2	42	0	0	0
Henry	2	13	5	84	0	0	2
Circuit Total	4	30	35	330	0	0	5

County	Defendant Not Apprehended	Nolle Prosequi	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Crockett	0	0	2	74
Gibson	0	8	55	244
Haywood	0	0	0	45
Henry	8	10	2	126
Circuit Total	8	18	59	489

14th Judicial Circuit—Civil Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Obion	0	2	9	70	9	90	7
Weakley	0	1	0	42	0	43	12
Circuit Total	**0**	**3**	**9**	**112**	**9**	**133**	**19**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Obion	34	1	18	1	0	29	0
Weakley	37	2	2	0	0	14	0
Circuit Total	**71**	**3**	**20**	**1**	**0**	**43**	**0**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Obion	0	1	0	0	2	93	183
Weakley	0	2	0	0	0	69	112
Circuit Total	**0**	**3**	**0**	**0**	**2**	**162**	**295**

14th Judicial Circuit—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Obion	0	13	4	68	1	51	5
Weakley	0	0	6	56	0	27	1
Circuit Total	**0**	**13**	**10**	**124**	**1**	**78**	**6**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Obion	15	0	3	4	2	7	173
Weakley	25	1	0	0	0	0	116
Circuit Total	**40**	**1**	**3**	**4**	**2**	**7**	**289**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: Phil B. Harris.

14th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Filings

County	Assault	Homicide	Kidnapping	Non-Support	Sexual Offense	Oth. Acts Against Person	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PERSON	Burglary
Obion	14	5	1	0	7	0	27	46
Weakley	7	1	1	0	3	0	12	32
Circuit Total	21	6	2	0	10	0	39	78

County	Fraud	Property Destruction	Robbery	Theft	Receiving Cnclg. Stoln. Prop.	Oth. Acts Against Property	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PROPERTY	Bribery
Obion	46	1	0	27	7	2	129	0
Weakley	66	0	0	32	5	5	140	0
Circuit Total	112	1	0	59	12	7	269	0

County	Disorderly Conduct	Drugs	DWI	Gambling	Obscenity	Obstructing Justice	Perjury	Prostitution
Obion	0	19	9	0	0	0	0	0
Weakley	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	0
Circuit Total	0	21	10	0	0	1	0	0

County	Weapons Possession Resale	Special Remedy	Oth. Acts Against Public	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PUBLIC	GRAND TOTAL CRIMINAL
Obion	1	0	11	40	196
Weakley	1	0	2	7	159
Circuit Total	2	0	13	47	355

14th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Dispositions

County	Acquittal	Convicted After Trial	Dismissal	Guilty Plea	Remanded To General Sessions	Special Remedy Relief	Transferred To Another Court
Obion	3	11	0	118	0	0	0
Weakley	1	7	46	95	0	1	3
Circuit Total	4	18	46	213	0	1	3

County	Defendant Not Apprehended	Nolle Prosequi	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Obion	20	55	17	224
Weakley	9	0	0	162
Circuit Total	29	55	17	386

15th Judicial Circuit—Civil Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions/ Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Shelby	3	3488	236	723	43	4493	710
Circuit Total	**3**	**3488**	**236**	**723**	**43**	**4493**	**710**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Shelby	1781	93	956	1	47	2283	459
Circuit Total	**1781**	**93**	**956**	**1**	**47**	**2283**	**459**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Shelby	0	34	0	0	43	6407	**10900**
Circuit Total	**0**	**34**	**0**	**0**	**43**	**6407**	**10900**

15th Judicial Circuit—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Shelby	1	85	257	3593	2572	787	539
Circuit Total	**1**	**85**	**257**	**3593**	**2572**	**787**	**539**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Shelby	1466	7	255	0	29	67	**9658**
Circuit Total	**1466**	**7**	**255**	**0**	**29**	**67**	**9658**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: James Friel Hastings, Irving M. Strauch, William W. O'Hearn, James M. Tharpe, Charles O. McPherson, Alan E. Highers, Shepperson A. Wilbun, Julia Gibbons and Thomas B. Avery.

15th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Filings

County	Assault	Homicide	Kidnapping	Non-Support	Sexual Offense	Oth. Acts Against Person	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PERSON	Burglary
Shelby	631	160	31	1	199		1047	1248
Circuit Total	631	160	31	1	199	25	1047	1248

County	Fraud	Property Destruction	Robbery	Theft	Receiving Cnclg. Stoln. Prop.	Oth. Acts Against Property	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PROPERTY	Bribery
Shelby	1035	68	636	1360	447	32	4826	18
Circuit Total	1035	68	636	1360	447	32	4826	18

County	Disorderly Conduct	Drugs	DWI	Gambling	Obscenity	Obstructing Justice	Perjury	Prostitution
Shelby	190	1024	317	5		81	3	7
Circuit Total	190	1024	317	5	0	81	3	7

County	Weapons Possession Resale	Special Remedy	Oth. Acts Against Public	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PUBLIC	GRAND TOTAL CRIMINAL
Shelby	322	236	415	2618	8491
Circuit Total	322	236	415	2618	8491

15th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Dispositions

County	Acquittal	Convicted After Trial	Dismissal	Guilty Plea	Remanded To General Sessions	Special Remedy Relief	Transferred To Another Court
Shelby	102	261	1182	3775	2	173	0
Circuit Total	102	261	1182	3775	2	173	0

County	Defendant Not Apprehended	Nolle Prosequi	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Shelby		502	110	6107
Circuit Total	0	502	110	6107

Judges presiding in this circuit are John P. Colton, Sr., William H. Williams, James C. Beasley, Bernie Weinman, H. T. Lockard, Arthur T. Bennett, Joseph B. McCartie and L. Terry Lafferty.

16th Judicial Circuit—Civil Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Fayette	0	12	2	26	0	40	6
Hardeman	0	2	0	13	0	15	7
Lauderdale	2	13	0	46	4	65	9
McNairy	0	1	2	18	0	21	5
Tipton	0	4	0	38	2	44	9
Circuit Total	2	32	4	141	6	185	36

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Fayette	19	2	7	0	0	9	0
Hardeman	37	5	3	0	[illegible]	11	0
Lauderdale	35	1	14	2	0	17	0
McNairy	23	0	2	0	[illegible]	[illegible]	0
Tipton	32	1	7	[illegible]	2	11	0
Circuit Total	146	9	33	2	2	53	0

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Fayette	0	1	0	0	1	[illegible]	85
Hardeman	9	0	0	0	[illegible]	[illegible]	87
Lauderdale	0	2	[illegible]	0	1	[illegible]	146
McNairy	0	[illegible]	0	0	1	[illegible]	57
Tipton	0	[illegible]	0	0	3	[illegible]	109
Circuit Total	9	3	0	0	6	299	484

16th Judicial Circuit—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	[illegible] Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Fayette	0	0	8	33	8	[illegible]	9
Hardeman	0	0	3	10	[illegible]	[illegible]	0
Lauderdale	0	0	3	39	[illegible]	[illegible]	2
McNairy	0	0	1	28	[illegible]	10	7
Tipton	0	0	2	36	2	34	0
Circuit Total	0	0	17	146	20	122	18

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate. Etc	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Fayette	2	0	0	[illegible]	[illegible]	0	87
Hardeman	2	[illegible]	0	[illegible]	1	0	32
Lauderdale	10	0	[illegible]	[illegible]	21	0	120
McNairy	15	0	0	0	1	2	64
Tipton	2	0	1	0	2	4	83
Circuit Total	31	0	1	0	25	6	386

Judges presiding in this circuit are: Herman Reviere.

16th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Filings

County	Assault	Homicide	Kidnapping	Non-Support	Sexual Offense	Oth. Acts Against Person	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PERSON	Burglary
Fayette	3	5	0	0	0	1	9	14
Hardeman	5	1	0	0	0	0	7	12
Lauderdale	13	7	0	0	2	3	25	27
McNairy	1	3	0	0	3	2	8	13
Tipton	7	2	0	0	2	1	12	19
Circuit Total	29	18	0	0	7	7	61	85

County	Fraud	Property Destruction	Robbery	Theft	Receiving Cnclg. Stoln. Prop.	Oth. Acts Against Property	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PROPERTY	Bribery
Fayette	6	1	2	20	0	2	45	0
Hardeman	12	0	7	12	2	1	46	0
Lauderdale	22	1	3	24	2	1	80	1
McNairy	4	5	1	13	0	0	36	0
Tipton	7	4	1	4	1	3	39	0
Circuit Total	51	11	14	73	5	7	246	1

County	Disorderly Conduct	Drugs	DWI	Gambling	Obscenity	Obstructing Justice	Perjury	Prostitution
Fayette	0	4	3	0	0	3	0	0
Hardeman	0	3	4	0	0	0	0	0
Lauderdale	2	20	6	1	0	4	0	0
McNairy	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Tipton	2	5	1	0	0	2	0	0
Circuit Total	5	32	13	1	0	9	0	0

County	Weapons Possession Resale	Special Remedy	Oth. Acts Against Public	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PUBLIC	GRAND TOTAL CRIMINAL
Fayette	1	0	7	15	69
Hardeman	0	0	15	22	75
Lauderdale	0	0	10	44	149
McNairy	0	0	4	7	51
Tipton	0	1	1	12	63
Circuit Total	1	1	37	100	407

16th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Dispositions

County	Acquittal	Convicted After Trial	Dismissal	Guilty Plea	Remanded To General Sessions	Special Remedy Relief	Transferred To Another Court
Fayette	2	13	6	54	0	1	0
Hardeman	1	10	8	37	4	1	0
Lauderdale	3	15	32	70	1	0	0
McNairy	3	3	6	29	0	0	0
Tipton	1	4	8	49	0	0	0
Circuit Total	**10**	**45**	**60**	**239**	**5**	**2**	**0**

County	Defendant Not Apprehended	Nolle Prosequi	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Fayette	2	6	0	84
Hardeman	0	3	2	66
Lauderdale	0	10	9	140
McNairy	1	2	3	47
Tipton	6	0	0	68
Circuit Total	**9**	**21**	**14**	**405**

17th Judicial Circuit—Civil Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Hickman	1	70	4	0	0	75	11
Lewis	1	44	0	2	0	47	8
Perry	1	23	0	0	0	24	5
Williamson	6	355	48	33	5	447	17
Circuit Total	**9**	**492**	**52**	**35**	**5**	**593**	**41**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Hickman	17	0	5	1	1	6	0
Lewis	5	4	2	0	0	4	0
Perry	8	2	0	0	0	1	0
Williamson	75	9	12	1	0	38	18
Circuit Total	**105**	**15**	**19**	**2**	**1**	**49**	**18**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Hickman	0	0	0	0	1	42	117
Lewis	0	1	0	0	0	24	71
Perry	2	0	0	0	0	18	42
Williamson	0	4	0	0	4	178	625
Circuit Total	**2**	**5**	**0**	**0**	**5**	**262**	**855**

17th Judicial Circuit—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Hickman	1	0	1	18	46	9	3
Lewis	1	0	3	22	25	1	9
Perry	1	0	0	2	13	0	0
Williamson	7	0	7	136	251	35	66
Circuit Total	**10**	**0**	**11**	**178**	**335**	**45**	**78**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Hickman	6	0	0	1	0	0	85
Lewis	2	0	0	0	0	0	63
Perry	2	0	0	0	0	3	21
Williamson	86	0	0	2	3	5	598
Circuit Total	**96**	**0**	**0**	**3**	**3**	**8**	**767**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: Judge Terry B. Larkin and Henry D. Bell.

17th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Filings

County	Assault	Homicide	Kidnapping	Non-Support	Sexual Offense	Oth. Acts Against Person	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PERSON	Burglary
Hickman	5	2	0	12	1	2	22	20
Lewis	2	2	0	2	3	1	10	1
Perry	1	0	0	0	1	0	2	3
Williamson	15	4	1	0	5	2	27	47
Circuit Total	23	8	1	14	10	5	61	71

County	Fraud	Property Destruction	Robbery	Theft	Receiving Cnclg. Stoln. Prop.	Oth. Acts Against Property	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PROPERTY	Bribery
Hickman	17	1	0	6	7	5	56	0
Lewis	0	1	0	3	0	10	15	0
Perry	1	0	0	4	1	0	9	0
Williamson	54	2	17	40	17	2	179	0
Circuit Total	72	4	17	53	25	17	259	0

County	Disorderly Conduct	Drugs	DWI	Gambling	Obscenity	Obstructing Justice	Perjury	Prostitution
Hickman	3	9	13	0	0	2	0	0
Lewis	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Perry	0	2	2	0	1	0	0	0
Williamson	0	32	29	0	0	7	0	0
Circuit Total	3	43	46	0	1	9	0	0

County	Weapons Possession Resale	Special Remedy	Oth. Acts Against Public	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PUBLIC	GRAND TOTAL CRIMINAL
Hickman	2	0	5	34	112
Lewis	1	1	1	5	30
Perry	0	0	0	5	16
Williamson	1	2	8	79	285
Circuit Total	4	3	14	123	443

17th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Dispositions

County	Acquittal	Convicted After Trial	Dismissal	Guilty Plea	Remanded To General Sessions	Special Remedy Relief	Transferred To Another Court
Hickman	2	24	7	42	0	0	0
Lewis	0	0	8	1	0	0	0
Perry	1	2	0	7	0	0	0
Williamson	10	40	13	124	0	0	1
Circuit Total	13	66	28	174	0	0	1

County	Defendant Not Apprehended	Nolle Prosequi	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Hickman	0	16	13	104
Lewis	0	5	2	16
Perry	0	0	1	11
Williamson	0	19	8	215
Circuit Total	0	40	24	346

18th Judicial Circuit—Civil Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Bledsoe	0	19	0	10	1	30	12
Franklin	1	71	10	20	0	102	6
Grundy	7	96	9	11	1	124	9
Marion	24	266	52	28	3	373	26
Meigs	0	33	0	5	0	38	4
Rhea	15	257	0	18	6	296	12
Sequatchie	7	79	1	4	0	91	5
Circuit Total	**54**	**821**	**72**	**96**	**11**	**1054**	**74**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Bledsoe	10	0	2	0	0	5	1
Franklin	56	11	1	0	0	49	0
Grundy	36	0	3	0	0	10	0
Marion	47	1	19	0	1	20	7
Meigs	11	5	0	0	0	2	0
Rhea	47	1	9	1	0	23	1
Sequatchie	19	0	1	0	0	4	0
Circuit Total	**226**	**18**	**35**	**1**	**1**	**113**	**9**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Bledsoe	0	2	0	0	2	34	64
Franklin	0	5	0	0	5	133	235
Grundy	0	7	1	0	6	72	196
Marion	0	3	0	0	0	124	497
Meigs	0	0	0	0	0	22	60
Rhea	0	1	0	0	0	95	391
Sequatchie	0	0	0	0	2	31	122
Circuit Total	**0**	**18**	**1**	**0**	**15**	**511**	**1565**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: Thomas A. Greer, Jr. and Paul A. Swafford.

18th Judicial Circuit—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Bledsoe	0	0	7	27	8	3	0
Franklin	1	0	2	53	51	18	2
Grundy	1	0	5	42	60	23	5
Marion	20	8	0	80	175	8	12
Meigs	0	0	2	20	31	3	0
Rhea	4	5	24	160	100	0	3
Sequatchie	2	0	7	33	31	9	6
Circuit Total	**28**	**13**	**47**	**415**	**456**	**64**	**28**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Bledsoe	12	1	0	0	0	1	**59**
Franklin	68	0	0	0	0	6	**201**
Grundy	12	3	0	0	1	1	**153**
Marion	51	0	0	0	3	0	**357**
Meigs	0	0	0	0	0	0	**56**
Rhea	15	0	16	0	0	8	**335**
Sequatchie	1	0	0	0	2	0	**91**
Circuit Total	**159**	**4**	**16**	**0**	**6**	**16**	**1252**

18th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Filings

County	Assault	Homicide	Kidnapping	Non-Support	Sexual Offense	Oth. Acts Against Person	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PERSON	Burglary
Bledsoe	5	3	0	0	0	0	8	6
Franklin	14	3	0	0	2	0	19	4
Grundy	13	1	6	0	2	0	22	11
Marion	19	3	0	1	1	0	24	3
Meigs	1	6	0	0	0	1	8	12
Rhea	8	1	0	0	4	0	13	11
Sequatchie	6	6	0	0	1	2	15	6
Circuit Total	**66**	**23**	**6**	**1**	**10**	**3**	**109**	**53**

County	Fraud	Property Destruction	Robbery	Theft	Receiving Cnclg. Stoln. Prop.	Oth. Acts Against Property	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PROPERTY	Bribery
Bledsoe	4	0	1	2	0	0	13	0
Franklin	16	1	3	0	31	2	57	0
Grundy	3	5	2	19	25	3	68	0
Marion	25	4	3	0	53	0	88	0
Meigs	7	0	0	11	3	0	33	0
Rhea	27	5	0	14	24	0	81	0
Sequatchie	7	0	3	7	1	0	24	0
Circuit Total	**89**	**15**	**12**	**53**	**137**	**5**	**364**	**0**

County	Disorderly Conduct	Drugs	DWI	Gambling	Obscenity	Obstructing Justice	Perjury	Prostitution
Bledsoe	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Franklin	1	18	7	0	0	3	0	0
Grundy	0	9	1	0	0	1	0	0
Marion	6	31	19	0	1	1	0	0
Meigs	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0
Rhea	5	17	8	0	0	5	0	0
Sequatchie	1	5	0	0	0	1	1	0
Circuit Total	**17**	**82**	**39**	**0**	**1**	**11**	**1**	**0**

County	Weapons Possession Resale	Special Remedy	Oth. Acts Against Public	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PUBLIC	GRAND TOTAL CRIMINAL
Bledsoe	0	0	7	11	**32**
Franklin	1	0	4	34	**110**
Grundy	0	0	9	20	**110**
Marion	2	4	4	68	**180**
Meigs	1	0	1	8	**49**
Rhea	2	6	5	48	**142**
Sequatchie	2	0	0	10	**49**
Circuit Total	**8**	**10**	**30**	**199**	**672**

18th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Dispositions

County	Acquittal	Convicted After Trial	Dismissal	Guilty Plea	Remanded To General Sessions	Special Remedy Relief	Transferred To Another Court
Bledsoe	4	5	1	8	0	0	0
Franklin	0	8	0	79	0	0	0
Grundy	1	13	0	39	0	0	0
Marion	0	4	10	85	3	0	0
Meigs	0	5	6	9	0	0	0
Rhea	0	44	0	12	0	0	0
Sequatchie	0	0	1	16	0	0	0
Circuit Total	**5**	**79**	**18**	**248**	**3**	**0**	**0**

County	Defendant Not Apprehended	Nolle Prosequi	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Bledsoe	0	0	2	**20**
Franklin	0	54	3	**144**
Grundy	0	23	14	**90**
Marion	0	38	0	**140**
Meigs	0	1	0	**21**
Rhea	0	18	0	**74**
Sequatchie	0	6	7	**30**
Circuit Total	**0**	**140**	**26**	**519**

19th Judicial Circuit—Civil Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Campbell	8	31	0	36	3	78	21
Claiborne	2	21	0	21	0	44	22
Fentress	10	120	0	16	1	147	10
Morgan	3	58	1	13	1	76	7
Scott	5	114	2	21	1	143	55
Circuit Total	**28**	**344**	**3**	**107**	**6**	**488**	**115**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Campbell	54	9	8	1	0	31	1
Claiborne	30	0	5	0	1	11	0
Fentress	17	3	1	2	0	9	0
Morgan	46	1	5	2	1	3	0
Scott	38	0	4	1	3	14	1
Circuit Total	**185**	**13**	**23**	**6**	**5**	**68**	**2**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Campbell	24	0	0	0	9	158	236
Claiborne	1	2	0	0	0	72	116
Fentress	0	0	1	0	2	45	192
Morgan	1	0	0	2	4	72	148
Scott	0	1	0	0	0	117	260
Circuit Total	**26**	**3**	**1**	**2**	**15**	**464**	**952**

19th Judicial Circuit—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Campbell	6	0	9	80	3	28	0
Claiborne	1	1	11	108	18	24	0
Fentress	6	7	3	54	95	6	0
Morgan	1	3	3	35	37	4	14
Scott	5	3	17	109	59	28	2
Circuit Total	**19**	**14**	**43**	**386**	**212**	**90**	**16**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Campbell	5	0	2	0	0	14	147
Claiborne	10	0	0	0	0	0	173
Fentress	18	0	1	1	1	8	200
Morgan	22	0	1	0	2	0	122
Scott	9	0	0	2	1	0	235
Circuit Total	**64**	**0**	**4**	**3**	**4**	**22**	**877**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: Conrad Troutman, Jr.

19th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Filings

County	Assault	Homicide	Kidnapping	Non-Support	Sexual Offense	Oth. Acts Against Person	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PERSON	Burglary
Campbell	14	8	0	0	4	1	27	10
Claiborne	10	7	1	0	2	0	20	34
Fentress	5	1	0	0	0	0	6	5
Morgan	6	4	0	0	0	2	12	15
Scott	1	2	0	0	0	0	3	3
Circuit Total	**36**	**22**	**1**	**0**	**6**	**3**	**68**	**67**

County	Fraud	Property Destruction	Robbery	Theft	Receiving Cnclg. Stoln. Prop.	Oth. Acts Against Property	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PROPERTY	Bribery
Campbell	2	1	3	18	7	0	41	0
Claiborne	3	2	3	23	0	1	66	0
Fentress	6	0	0	5	3	2	21	0
Morgan	1	5	1	6	0	1	29	0
Scott	2	0	0	2	1	0	8	0
Circuit Total	**14**	**8**	**7**	**54**	**11**	**4**	**165**	**0**

County	Disorderly Conduct	Drugs	DWI	Gambling	Obscenity	Obstructing Justice	Perjury	Prostitution
Campbell	0	1	13	0	0	2	0	0
Claiborne	1	6	9	0	0	5	0	0
Fentress	0	3	4	0	0	0	1	0
Morgan	1	11	4	0	0	11	0	0
Scott	1	10	1	0	0	0	0	0
Circuit Total	**3**	**31**	**31**	**0**	**0**	**18**	**1**	**0**

County	Weapons Possession Resale	Special Remedy	Oth. Acts Against Public	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PUBLIC	GRAND TOTAL CRIMINAL
Campbell	0	0	2	18	**86**
Claiborne	1	0	6	28	**114**
Fentress	2	0	0	10	**37**
Morgan	0	0	2	29	**70**
Scott	0	1	3	16	**27**
Circuit Total	**3**	**1**	**13**	**101**	**334**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: Lee Asbury.

19th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Dispositions

County	Acquittal	Convicted After Trial	Dismissal	Guilty Plea	Remanded To General Sessions	Special Remedy Relief	Transferred To Another Court
Campbell	1	2	0	37	1	0	0
Claiborne	0	1	5	45	2	1	0
Fentress	1	8	2	12	0	0	0
Morgan	0	7	4	24	0	0	0
Scott	1	5	0	12	1	0	1
Circuit Total	3	23	11	130	4	1	1

County	Defendant Not Apprehended	Nolle Prosequi	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Campbell	0	2	0	43
Claiborne	1	10	2	67
Fentress	0	1	0	24
Morgan	0	6	0	41
Scott	0	8	3	31
Circuit Total	1	27	5	206

20th Judicial Circuit—Civil Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Sullivan	30	617	87	156	4	894	114
Circuit Total	**30**	**617**	**87**	**156**	**4**	**894**	**114**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Sullivan	184	9	88	2	0	44	34
Circuit Total	**184**	**9**	**88**	**2**	**0**	**44**	**34**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Sullivan	28	6	0	0	13	522	1416
Circuit Total	**28**	**6**	**0**	**0**	**13**	**522**	**1416**

20th Judicial Circuit—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Sullivan	23	14	46	448	457	91	46
Circuit Total	**23**	**14**	**46**	**448**	**457**	**91**	**46**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Sullivan	153	5	4	1	99	7	1394
Circuit Total	**153**	**5**	**4**	**1**	**99**	**7**	**1394**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: Roger E. Thayer.

20th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Filings

County	Assault	Homicide	Kidnapping	Non-Support	Sexual Offense	Oth. Acts Against Person	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PERSON	Burglary
Greene	40	5	3	37	3	6	94	20
Hamblen	9	3	1	38	1	0	52	55
Hawkins	14	1	0	5	0	0	20	9
Circuit Total	63	9	4	80	4	6	166	84

County	Fraud	Property Destruction	Robbery	Theft	Receiving Cnclg. Stoln. Prop.	Oth. Acts Against Property	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PROPERTY	Bribery
Greene	32	3	6	20	3	11	95	0
Hamblen	19	2	1	21	7	1	106	0
Hawkins	9	0	1	8	1	0	28	0
Circuit Total	60	5	8	49	11	12	229	0

County	Disorderly Conduct	Drugs	DWI	Gambling	Obscenity	Obstructing Justice	Perjury	Prostitution
Greene	2	18	40	0	0	5	1	0
Hamblen	2	31	6	0	0	5	3	0
Hawkins	3	45	5	0	1	5	0	0
Circuit Total	7	94	51	0	1	15	4	0

County	Weapons Possession Resale	Special Remedy	Oth. Acts Against Public	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PUBLIC	GRAND TOTAL CRIMINAL
Greene	4	5	22	97	286
Hamblen	2	5	23	77	235
Hawkins	1	0	3	63	111
Circuit Total	7	10	48	237	632

20th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Dispositions

County	Acquittal	Convicted After Trial	Dismissal	Guilty Plea	Remanded To General Sessions	Special Remedy Relief	Transferred To Another Court
Greene	12	31	94	109	2	0	2
Hamblen	14	33	59	122	0	6	0
Hawkins	11	36	31	53	0	0	4
Circuit Total	37	100	184	284	2	6	6

County	Defendant Not Apprehended	Nolle Prosequi	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Greene	5	2	28	285
Hamblen	1	2	18	255
Hawkins	1	0	7	143
Circuit Total	7	4	53	683

Judges presiding in this circuit are: James E. Beckner.

21st Judicial Circuit—Civil Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Cheatham	10	130	5	32	0	177	21
Dickson	6	182	17	30	3	238	9
Houston	4	25	5	4	5	43	2
Humphreys	8	129	1	21	0	159	59
Stewart	0	12	3	15	1	31	0
Circuit Total	**28**	**478**	**31**	**102**	**9**	**648**	**91**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Cheatham	32	0	6	0	0	9	0
Dickson	38	1	11	0	0	27	2
Houston	2	1	1	0	0	2	2
Humphreys	30	0	7	0	0	0	0
Stewart	10	30	1	0	0	1	0
Circuit Total	**112**	**32**	**26**	**0**	**0**	**39**	**4**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Cheatham	0	0	0	0	0	68	**245**
Dickson	0	0	0	0	2	90	**328**
Houston	0	0	0	0	0	10	**53**
Humphreys	0	1	0	0	0	97	**256**
Stewart	0	0	0	0	1	43	**74**
Circuit Total	**0**	**1**	**0**	**0**	**3**	**308**	**956**

21st Judicial Circuit—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Cheatham	3	4	2	28	85	5	1
Dickson	5	1	8	50	120	15	7
Houston	4	0	5	16	15	9	7
Humphreys	9	1	16	38	73	12	7
Stewart	0	4	4	10	14	1	2
Circuit Total	**21**	**10**	**35**	**142**	**307**	**42**	**24**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Cheatham	17	0	6	0	0	2	**153**
Dickson	32	0	0	0	0	0	**238**
Houston	6	0	0	0	0	8	**70**
Humphreys	36	0	1	0	2	0	**195**
Stewart	5	0	1	0	3	1	**45**
Circuit Total	**96**	**0**	**8**	**0**	**5**	**11**	**701**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: Leonard Martin and Robert E. Burch.

21st Judicial Circuit—Criminal Filings

County	Assault	Homicide	Kidnapping	Non-Support	Sexual Offense	Oth. Acts Against Person	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PERSON	Burglary
Cheatham	11	0	2	0	3	12	28	30
Dickson	27	1	2	0	10	6	46	16
Houston	10	1	1	0	9	4	25	8
Humphreys	55	7	2	1	6	4	75	37
Stewart	5	0	0	0	0	3	8	4
Circuit Total	**108**	**9**	**7**	**1**	**28**	**29**	**182**	**95**

County	Fraud	Property Destruction	Robbery	Theft	Receiving Cnclg. Stoln. Prop.	Oth. Acts Against Property	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PROPERTY	Bribery
Cheatham	7	3	1	15	0	14	70	0
Dickson	128	9	39	4	0	6	202	0
Houston	35	2	0	5	1	6	57	0
Humphreys	66	49	19	45	12	0	228	0
Stewart	33	6	1	6	2	4	56	0
Circuit Total	**269**	**69**	**60**	**75**	**15**	**30**	**613**	**0**

County	Disorderly Conduct	Drugs	DWI	Gambling	Obscenity	Obstructing Justice	Perjury	Prostitution
Cheatham	0	4	8	0	0	2	0	0
Dickson	2	11	43	0	1	0	0	0
Houston	0	4	12	0	0	1	0	0
Humphreys	12	47	31	0	0	7	1	0
Stewart	1	9	29	0	7	0	0	0
Circuit Total	**15**	**75**	**123**	**0**	**8**	**10**	**1**	**0**

County	Weapons Possession Resale	Special Remedy	Oth. Acts Against Public	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PUBLIC	GRAND TOTAL CRIMINAL
Cheatham	4	0	28	46	144
Dickson	2	0	60	119	367
Houston	1	1	25	44	126
Humphreys	18	0	6	122	425
Stewart	2	4	14	66	130
Circuit Total	**27**	**5**	**133**	**397**	**1192**

21st Judicial Circuit—Criminal Dispositions

County	Acquittal	Convicted After Trial	Dismissal	Guilty Plea	Remanded To General Sessions	Special Remedy Relief	Transferred To Another Court
Cheatham	5	5	6	116	0	0	0
Dickson	3	21	101	179	1	0	0
Houston	12	8	8	65	0	0	0
Humphreys	3	6	29	301	1	2	0
Stewart	5	23	12	89	0	0	0
Circuit Total	**28**	**63**	**156**	**750**	**2**	**2**	**0**

County	Defendant Not Apprehended	Nolle Prosequi	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Cheatham	0	5	10	**147**
Dickson	17	29	1	**352**
Houston	14	13	25	**145**
Humphreys	0	169	0	**511**
Stewart	5	8	11	**153**
Circuit Total	**36**	**224**	**47**	**1308**

22nd Judicial Circuit—Civil Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Benton	0	27	0	23	0	50	10
Carroll	1	35	0	27	0	63	12
Decatur	2	39	4	12	0	57	3
Hardin	2	2	0	33	0	37	3
Circuit Total	**5**	**103**	**4**	**95**	**0**	**207**	**28**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Benton	28	1	5	0	0	14	0
Carroll	21	0	3	0	0	9	0
Decatur	8	2	6	0	0	0	1
Hardin	22	0	4	0	0	11	0
Circuit Total	**79**	**3**	**18**	**0**	**0**	**34**	**1**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Benton	1	1	0	0	0	60	**110**
Carroll	3	0	0	1	2	51	**114**
Decatur	0	0	0	0	0	20	**77**
Hardin	0	2	0	0	0	42	**79**
Circuit Total	**4**	**3**	**0**	**1**	**2**	**173**	**380**

22nd Judicial Circuit—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Benton	0	0	2	33	17	20	0
Carroll	1	0	0	21	25	8	1
Decatur	2	0	0	33	25	0	1
Hardin	2	0	1	35	2	0	2
Circuit Total	**5**	**0**	**3**	**122**	**69**	**28**	**4**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Benton	1	2	0	0	1	0	**76**
Carroll	24	0	0	0	2	2	**84**
Decatur	7	1	1	0	1	1	**72**
Hardin	9	0	0	0	1	1	**53**
Circuit Total	**41**	**3**	**1**	**0**	**5**	**4**	**285**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: James L. England.

22nd Judicial Circuit—Criminal Filings

County	Assault	Homicide	Kidnapping	Non-Support	Sexual Offense	Oth. Acts Against Person	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PERSON	Burglary
Benton	3	4	0	2	1	0	10	1
Carroll	5	7	0	1	4	0	17	3
Decatur	1	0	0	1	0	2	4	3
Hardin	7	2	0	1	0	0	10	8
Circuit Total	**16**	**13**	**0**	**5**	**5**	**2**	**41**	**15**

County	Fraud	Property Destruction	Robbery	Theft	Receiving Cnclg. Stoln. Prop.	Oth. Acts Against Property	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PROPERTY	Bribery
Benton	9	1	2	17	6	0	36	0
Carroll	82	4	0	28	7	0	124	0
Decatur	4	1	4	4	0	3	19	0
Hardin	52	4	0	14	1	0	79	0
Circuit Total	**147**	**10**	**6**	**63**	**14**	**3**	**258**	**0**

County	Disorderly Conduct	Drugs	DWI	Gambling	Obscenity	Obstructing Justice	Perjury	Prostitution
Benton	1	30	0	0	0	1	0	0
Carroll	0	32	10	0	0	1	0	0
Decatur	0	11	0	0	0	0	1	0
Hardin	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0
Circuit Total	**1**	**75**	**10**	**0**	**0**	**3**	**1**	**0**

County	Weapons Possession Resale	Special Remedy	Oth. Acts Against Public	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PUBLIC	GRAND TOTAL CRIMINAL
Benton	7	0	12	51	97
Carroll	0	0	11	54	195
Decatur	0	0	0	12	35
Hardin	6	0	6	15	104
Circuit Total	**13**	**0**	**29**	**132**	**431**

22nd Judicial Circuit—Criminal Dispositions

County	Acquittal	Convicted After Trial	Dismissal	Guilty Plea	Remanded To General Sessions	Special Remedy Relief	Transferred To Another Court
Benton	13	22	3	26	0	0	0
Carroll	14	12	13	117	1	0	0
Decatur	4	1	3	21	1	0	2
Hardin	7	13	5	42	2	0	1
Circuit Total	**38**	**48**	**24**	**206**	**4**	**0**	**3**

County	Defendant Not Apprehended	Nolle Prosequi	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Benton	0	18	0	82
Carroll	0	22	0	179
Decatur	0	0	0	32
Hardin	0	0	13	83
Circuit Total	**0**	**40**	**13**	**376**

23rd Judicial Circuit—Civil Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Bedford	0	2	1	26	0	29	2
Lincoln	1	155	24	43	5	228	15
Marshall	0	5	1	21	0	27	12
Moore	0	8	0	0	0	8	0
Circuit Total	**1**	**170**	**26**	**90**	**5**	**292**	**29**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Bedford	44	22	3	2	0	22	1
Lincoln	20	1	14	4	0	10	0
Marshall	7	0	3	1	0	3	0
Moore	2	1	0	0	0	3	0
Circuit Total	**73**	**24**	**20**	**7**	**0**	**38**	**1**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Bedford	0	1	0	0	4	101	130
Lincoln	0	1	0	0	1	66	294
Marshall	1	0	0	0	5	32	59
Moore	0	0	0	0	1	7	15
Circuit Total	**1**	**2**	**0**	**0**	**11**	**206**	**498**

23rd Judicial Circuit—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Bedford	0	0	0	2	1	11	0
Lincoln	3	13	6	39	121	13	25
Marshall	0	3	0	29	1	7	9
Moore	0	0	0	5	5	1	0
Circuit Total	**3**	**16**	**6**	**75**	**128**	**32**	**34**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Bedford	18	0	0	0	0	1	33
Lincoln	29	0	0	2	0	2	253
Marshall	7	1	0	0	2	0	59
Moore	3	0	0	0	0	0	14
Circuit Total	**57**	**1**	**0**	**2**	**2**	**3**	**359**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: Robert J. Parkes.

23rd Judicial Circuit—Criminal Filings

County	Assault	Homicide	Kidnapping	Non-Support	Sexual Offense	Oth. Acts Against Person	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PERSON	Burglary
Bedford	14	7	0	3	1	3	28	35
Lincoln	9	5	0	0	0	0	14	20
Marshall	8	4	0	2	1	0	15	47
Moore	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Circuit Total	**31**	**16**	**0**	**5**	**2**	**3**	**57**	**102**

County	Fraud	Property Destruction	Robbery	Theft	Receiving Cnclg. Stoln. Prop.	Oth. Acts Against Property	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PROPERTY	Bribery
Bedford	71	2	1	18	7	3	137	3
Lincoln	38	7	1	18	6	0	90	0
Marshall	37	1	2	28	0	3	118	0
Moore	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
Circuit Total	**146**	**10**	**4**	**64**	**14**	**6**	**346**	**3**

County	Disorderly Conduct	Drugs	DWI	Gambling	Obscenity	Obstructing Justice	Perjury	Prostitution
Bedford	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0
Lincoln	1	3	0	0	0	6	0	0
Marshall	0	6	7	0	0	2	0	0
Moore	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Circuit Total	**1**	**10**	**8**	**0**	**0**	**10**	**0**	**0**

County	Weapons Possession Resale	Special Remedy	Oth. Acts Against Public	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PUBLIC	GRAND TOTAL CRIMINAL
Bedford	1	0	12	19	**184**
Lincoln	0	0	2	12	**116**
Marshall	1	0	0	16	**149**
Moore	0	0	0	1	**2**
Circuit Total	**2**	**0**	**14**	**48**	**451**

23rd Judicial Circuit—Criminal Dispositions

County	Acquittal	Convicted After Trial	Dismissal	Guilty Plea	Remanded To General Sessions	Special Remedy Relief	Transferred To Another Court
Bedford	0	13	4	66	1	1	0
Lincoln	1	3	0	47	0	1	0
Marshall	0	9	8	80	1	4	0
Moore	0	0	1	4	0	0	0
Circuit Total	**1**	**25**	**13**	**197**	**2**	**6**	**0**

County	Defendant Not Apprehended	Nolle Prosequi	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Bedford	0	2	37	**124**
Lincoln	6	0	15	**73**
Marshall	0	0	17	**119**
Moore	0	0	0	**5**
Circuit Total	**6**	**2**	**69**	**321**

24th Judicial Circuit—Civil Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
McMinn	0	15	0	24	1	40	18
Monroe	5	87	3	0	2	97	11
Polk	2	32	3	13	1	51	3
Circuit Total	**7**	**134**	**6**	**37**	**4**	**188**	**32**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
McMinn	50	3	10	0	0	19	0
Monroe	48	0	4	2	0	14	0
Polk	54	0	3	0	0	4	1
Circuit Total	**152**	**3**	**17**	**2**	**0**	**37**	**1**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
McMinn	0	2	0	0	4	106	**146**
Monroe	0	0	0	0	4	83	**180**
Polk	0	0	0	0	0	65	**116**
Circuit Total	**0**	**2**	**0**	**0**	**8**	**254**	**442**

24th Judicial Circuit—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
McMinn	0	0	11	41	3	51	0
Monroe	4	0	1	43	55	37	4
Polk	2	5	1	26	21	10	0
Circuit Total	**6**	**5**	**13**	**110**	**79**	**98**	**4**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
McMinn	15	1	0	0	0	0	**122**
Monroe	31	0	0	0	2	1	**178**
Polk	11	0	1	0	4	2	**83**
Circuit Total	**57**	**1**	**1**	**0**	**6**	**3**	**383**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: William M. Dender.

24th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Filings

County	Assault	Homicide	Kidnapping	Non-Support	Sexual Offense	Oth. Acts Against Person	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PERSON	Burglary
Bradley	50	7	2	0	10	3	72	89
McMinn	24	12	3	0	6	5	50	49
Monroe	14	3	0	1	5	4	27	30
Polk	7	1	1	0	0	0	9	26
Circuit Total	95	23	6	1	21	12	158	194

County	Fraud	Property Destruction	Robbery	Theft	Receiving Cnclg. Stoln. Prop.	Oth. Acts Against Property	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PROPERTY	Bribery
Bradley	88	17	4	53	30	9	290	0
McMinn	75	2	7	24	27	4	188	0
Monroe	19	3	1	18	8	1	80	0
Polk	9	1	0	12	22	4	74	0
Circuit Total	191	23	12	107	87	18	632	0

County	Disorderly Conduct	Drugs	DWI	Gambling	Obscenity	Obstructing Justice	Perjury	Prostitution
Bradley	4	35	23	0	0	10	0	0
McMinn	2	76	37	0	0	11	0	0
Monroe	1	13	0	0	0	0	0	0
Polk	6	11	3	0	1	4	0	0
Circuit Total	13	135	63	0	1	25	0	0

County	Weapons Possession Resale	Special Remedy	Oth. Acts Against Public	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PUBLIC	GRAND TOTAL CRIMINAL
Bradley	1	6	20	99	461
McMinn	5	5	43	179	417
Monroe	1	1	7	23	130
Polk	0	0	5	30	113
Circuit Total	7	12	75	331	1121

24th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Dispositions

County	Acquittal	Convicted After Trial	Dismissal	Guilty Plea	Remanded To General Sessions	Special Remedy Relief	Transferred To Another Court
Bradley	106	21	27	320	0	4	1
McMinn	122	19	13	246	0	0	1
Monroe	29	14	10	104	0	1	2
Polk	7	2	19	43	0	0	0
Circuit Total	264	56	69	713	0	5	4

County	Defendant Not Apprehended	Nolle Prosequi	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Bradley	55	7	3	544
McMinn	0	5	65	471
Monroe	5	9	12	186
Polk	0	0	3	74
Circuit Total	60	21	83	1275

Judges presiding in this circuit are: James C. Witt.

25th Judicial Circuit—Civil Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Jackson	0	15	0	1	1	17	2
Macon	5	77	7	1	0	90	6
Smith	0	2	1	2	0	5	18
Trousdale	1	29	1	4	1	36	6
Wilson	8	122	14	1	0	145	24
Circuit Total	14	245	23	9	2	293	56

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Jackson	17	0	0	0	0	0	0
Macon	11	0	4	0	0	14	8
Smith	23	16	4	0	0	3	2
Trousdale	10	4	2	1	0	9	3
Wilson	100	1	19	6	0	35	2
Circuit Total	161	21	29	7	0	61	15

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Jackson	0	0	0	0	3	22	39
Macon	0	2	0	0	0	45	135
Smith	0	1	0	0	8	75	80
Trousdale	0	0	0	0	0	35	71
Wilson	1	0	0	0	0	188	333
Circuit Total	1	3	0	0	11	365	658

25th Judicial Circuit—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Jackson	0	0	0	5	1	14	0
Macon	2	0	0	36	67	14	0
Smith	0	0	6	12	4	12	0
Trousdale	3	0	4	15	14	22	1
Wilson	4	8	10	70	85	35	6
Circuit Total	9	8	20	138	171	97	7

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Jackson	12	0	0	0	4	0	36
Macon	17	1	0	0	0	0	137
Smith	9	0	4	0	1	0	48
Trousdale	6	0	0	0	0	0	65
Wilson	34	0	4	2	3	0	261
Circuit Total	78	1	8	2	8	0	547

Judges presiding in this circuit are: Willard Hagan

25th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Filings

County	Assault	Homicide	Kidnapping	Non-Support	Sexual Offense	Oth. Acts Against Person	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PERSON	Burglary
Jackson	12	1	0	4	1	0	18	11
Macon	5	2	0	5	1	2	15	6
Smith	21	1	2	0	1	2	27	17
Trousdale	4	1	0	4	0	1	10	7
Wilson	21	8	0	15	8	8	60	86
Circuit Total	**63**	**13**	**2**	**28**	**11**	**13**	**130**	**127**

County	Fraud	Property Destruction	Robbery	Theft	Receiving Cnclg. Stoln. Prop.	Oth. Acts Against Property	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PROPERTY	Bribery
Jackson	2	2	0	3	0	0	18	0
Macon	27	0	1	3	4	0	41	0
Smith	13	1	2	7	3	6	49	0
Trousdale	15	1	1	5	1	0	30	0
Wilson	11	2	9	10	0	12	130	1
Circuit Total	**68**	**6**	**13**	**28**	**8**	**18**	**268**	**1**

County	Disorderly Conduct	Drugs	DWI	Gambling	Obscenity	Obstructing Justice	Perjury	Prostitution
Jackson	4	15	5	0	0	6	0	0
Macon	7	8	14	0	1	4	0	0
Smith	6	10	8	0	0	1	0	0
Trousdale	5	1	0	0	1	4	0	0
Wilson	4	23	53	0	0	4	1	0
Circuit Total	**26**	**57**	**80**	**0**	**2**	**19**	**1**	**0**

County	Weapons Possession Resale	Special Remedy	Oth. Acts Against Public	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PUBLIC	GRAND TOTAL CRIMINAL
Jackson	1	0	19	50	**86**
Macon	1	2	5	42	**98**
Smith	1	0	12	38	**114**
Trousdale	1	0	0	12	**52**
Wilson	3	0	158	247	**437**
Circuit Total	**7**	**2**	**194**	**389**	**787**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: Robert H. Bradshaw.

25th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Dispositions

County	Acquittal	Convicted After Trial	Dismissal	Guilty Plea	Remanded To General Sessions	Special Remedy Relief	Transferred To Another Court
Jackson	1	1	9	29	0	0	0
Macon	0	9	17	46	10	0	1
Smith	1	1	28	55	0	20	0
Trousdale	0	1	10	14	0	0	2
Wilson	2	14	181	164	1	0	0
Circuit Total	4	26	245	308	11	20	3

County	Defendant Not Apprehended	Nolle Prosequi	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Jackson	0	0	1	41
Macon	0	39	4	126
Smith	0	0	4	109
Trousdale	0	0	7	34
Wilson	27	0	0	389
Circuit Total	27	39	16	699

26th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Filings

County	Assault	Homicide	Kidnapping	Non-Support	Sexual Offense	Oth. Acts Against Person	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PERSON	Burglary
Sullivan	49	12	1	2	7	0	71	133
Circuit Total	**49**	**12**	**1**	**2**	**7**	**0**	**71**	**133**

County	Fraud	Property Destruction	Robbery	Theft	Receiving Cnclg. Stoln. Prop.	Oth. Acts Against Property	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PROPERTY	Bribery
Sullivan	182	17	21	70	37	4	464	0
Circuit Total	**182**	**17**	**21**	**70**	**37**	**4**	**464**	**0**

County	Disorderly Conduct	Drugs	DWI	Gambling	Obscenity	Obstructing Justice	Perjury	Prostitution
Sullivan	11	45	92	0	0	16	3	0
Circuit Total	**11**	**45**	**92**	**0**	**0**	**16**	**3**	**0**

County	Weapons Possession Resale	Special Remedy	Oth. Acts Against Public	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PUBLIC	GRAND TOTAL CRIMINAL
Sullivan	7	232	60	466	1001
Circuit Total	**7**	**232**	**60**	**466**	**1001**

26th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Dispositions

County	Acquittal	Convicted After Trial	Dismissal	Guilty Plea	Remanded To General Sessions	Special Remedy Relief	Transferred To Another Court
Sullivan	18	61	34	477	10	178	0
Circuit Total	**18**	**61**	**34**	**477**	**10**	**178**	**0**

County	Defendant Not Apprehended	Nolle Prosequi	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Sullivan	0	16	20	814
Circuit Total	**0**	**16**	**20**	**814**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: Edgar P. Calhoun

27th Judicial Circuit—Civil Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Greene	15	169	4	0	6	194	49
Hamblen	0	22	0	2	0	24	42
Hawkins	2	52	4	8	2	68	14
Circuit Total	17	243	8	10	8	286	105

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate. Etc	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Greene	79	1	52	6	0	30	0
Hamblen	113	27	53	1	0	62	1
Hawkins	67	28	9	1	0	6	2
Circuit Total	259	56	114	8	0	98	3

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Greene	3	4	0	0	9	233	427
Hamblen	0	0	0	0	1	300	324
Hawkins	5	2	0	0	1	136	204
Circuit Total	9	6	0	0	11	669	955

27th Judicial Circuit—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Greene	8	0	18	106	124	80	2
Hamblen	0	0	4	83	12	68	26
Hawkins	2	1	1	26	70	42	5
Circuit Total	10	1	23	215	206	190	33

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate. Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Greene	21	0	7	0	3	12	381
Hamblen	27	0	2	0	2	1	225
Hawkins	44	0	0	0	1	2	194
Circuit Total	92	0	9	0	6	15	800

Judges presiding in this circuit are: John K. Wilson

28th Judicial Circuit—Civil Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Anderson	1	0	0	0	0	1	52
Circuit Total	**1**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**1**	**52**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Anderson	183	5	49	1	1	76	0
Circuit Total	**183**	**5**	**49**	**1**	**1**	**76**	**0**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Anderson	1	0	0	0	0	368	**369**
Circuit Total	**1**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**368**	**369**

28th Judicial Circuit—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Anderson	1	0	6	113	0	90	0
Circuit Total	**1**	**0**	**6**	**113**	**0**	**90**	**0**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Anderson	123	0	1	19	10	0	**363**
Circuit Total	**123**	**0**	**1**	**19**	**10**	**0**	**363**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: James B. Scott, Jr.

28th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Filings

County	Assault	Homicide	Kidnapping	Non-Support	Sexual Offense	Oth. Acts Against Person	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PERSON	Burglary
Anderson	28	9	1	3	7	2	50	83
Circuit Total	28	9	1	3	7	2	50	83

County	Fraud	Property Destruction	Robbery	Theft	Receiving Cnclg. Stoln. Prop.	Oth. Acts Against Property	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PROPERTY	Bribery
Anderson	53	18	24	10	0	1	189	0
Circuit Total	53	18	24	10	0	1	189	0

County	Disorderly Conduct	Drugs	DWI	Gambling	Obscenity	Obstructing Justice	Perjury	Prostitution
Anderson	3	23	14	0	1	1	0	0
Circuit Total	3	23	14	0	1	1	0	0

County	Weapons Possession Resale	Special Remedy	Oth. Acts Against Public	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PUBLIC	GRAND TOTAL CRIMINAL
Anderson	4	1	2	49	288
Circuit Total	4	1	2	49	288

28th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Dispositions

County	Acquittal	Convicted After Trial	Dismissal	Guilty Plea	Remanded To General Sessions	Special Remedy Relief	Transferred To Another Court
Anderson	3	49	60	91	11	0	5
Circuit Total	3	49	60	91	11	0	5

County	Defendant Not Apprehended	Nolle Prosequi	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Anderson	2	6	0	227
Circuit Total	2	6	0	227

29th Judicial Circuit—Civil Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Bradley	28	231	48	89	7	403	27
Circuit Total	**28**	**231**	**48**	**89**	**7**	**403**	**27**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Bradley	189	4	57	2	0	88	0
Circuit Total	**189**	**4**	**57**	**2**	**0**	**88**	**0**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Bradley	1	1	0	0	6	375	**778**
Circuit Total	**1**	**1**	**0**	**0**	**6**	**375**	**778**

29th Judicial Circuit—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Bradley	23	0	8	190	162	105	44
Circuit Total	**23**	**0**	**8**	**190**	**162**	**105**	**44**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Bradley	53	1	1	0	27	4	**618**
Circuit Total	53	1	1	0	27	4	**618**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: Earle G. Murphy

30th Judicial Circuit—Civil Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Blount	65	732	241	46	6	1090	105
Circuit Total	65	732	241	46	6	1090	105

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Blount	165	11	109	18	6	57	3
Circuit Total	165	11	109	18	6	57	3

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Blount	1	36	0	1	9	521	1611
Circuit Total	1	36	0	1	9	521	1611

30th Judicial Circuit—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Blount	54	21	14	393	602	274	20
Circuit Total	54	21	14	393	602	274	20

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Blount	71	0	2	13	3	2	1469
Circuit Total	71	0	2	13	3	2	1469

Judges presiding in this circuit are: James H. Jarvis and John C. Crawford, III.

30th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Filings

County	Assault	Homicide	Kidnapping	Non-Support	Sexual Offense	Oth. Acts Against Person	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PERSON	Burglary
Blount	11	5	0	0	2	5	23	29
Circuit Total	11	5	0	0	2	5	23	29

County	Fraud	Property Destruction	Robbery	Theft	Receiving Cnclg. Stoln. Prop.	Oth. Acts Against Property	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PROPERTY	Bribery
Blount	26	3	8	33	0	13	112	0
Circuit Total	26	3	8	33	0	13	112	0

County	Disorderly Conduct	Drugs	DWI	Gambling	Obscenity	Obstructing Justice	Perjury	Prostitution
Blount	0	19	7	0	0	0	0	0
Circuit Total	0	19	7	0	0	0	0	0

County	Weapons Possession Resale	Special Remedy	Oth. Acts Against Public	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PUBLIC	GRAND TOTAL CRIMINAL
Blount	0	5	10	41	176
Circuit Total	0	5	10	41	176

30th Judicial Circuit—Criminal Dispositions

County	Acquittal	Convicted After Trial	Dismissal	Guilty Plea	Remanded To General Sessions	Special Remedy Relief	Transferred To Another Court
Blount	7	83	19	25	1	36	1
Circuit Total	7	83	19	25	1	36	1

County	Defendant Not Apprehended	Nolle Prosequi	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Blount	2	7	11	192
Circuit Total	2	7	11	192

31st Judicial Circuit—Civil Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Dyer	1	7	2	75	0	85	23
Lake	0	4	0	22	1	27	4
Circuit Total	1	11	2	97	1	112	27

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Dyer	45	0	32	1	0	38	0
Lake	7	0	1	0	0	1	1
Circuit Total	52	0	33	1	0	39	1

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Dyer	0	2	0	0	2	143	228
Lake	0	1	0	0	3	18	45
Circuit Total	0	3	0	0	5	161	273

31st Judicial Circuit—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Dyer	1	0	2	67	4	48	10
Lake	0	0	2	7	1	11	0
Circuit Total	1	0	4	74	5	59	10

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Dyer	16	1	0	0	0	1	150
Lake	2	0	0	0	1	0	24
Circuit Total	18	1	0	0	1	1	174

Judges presiding in this circuit are: Joe G. Riley, Jr.

31st Judicial Circuit—Criminal Filings

County	Assault	Homicide	Kidnapping	Non-Support	Sexual Offense	Oth. Acts Against Person	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PERSON	Burglary
Dyer	20	3	1	1	15	25	65	57
Lake	2	1	0	0	1	2	6	13
Circuit Total	**22**	**4**	**1**	**1**	**16**	**27**	**71**	**70**

County	Fraud	Property Destruction	Robbery	Theft	Receiving Cnclg. Stoln. Prop.	Oth. Acts Against Property	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PROPERTY	Bribery
Dyer	78	7	6	76	0	28	252	1
Lake	7	6	1	33	4	0	64	0
Circuit Total	**85**	**13**	**7**	**109**	**4**	**28**	**316**	**1**

County	Disorderly Conduct	Drugs	DWI	Gambling	Obscenity	Obstructing Justice	Perjury	Prostitution
Dyer	8	98	11	0	1	3	0	0
Lake	0	0	1	0	0	6	0	0
Circuit Total	**8**	**98**	**12**	**0**	**1**	**9**	**0**	**0**

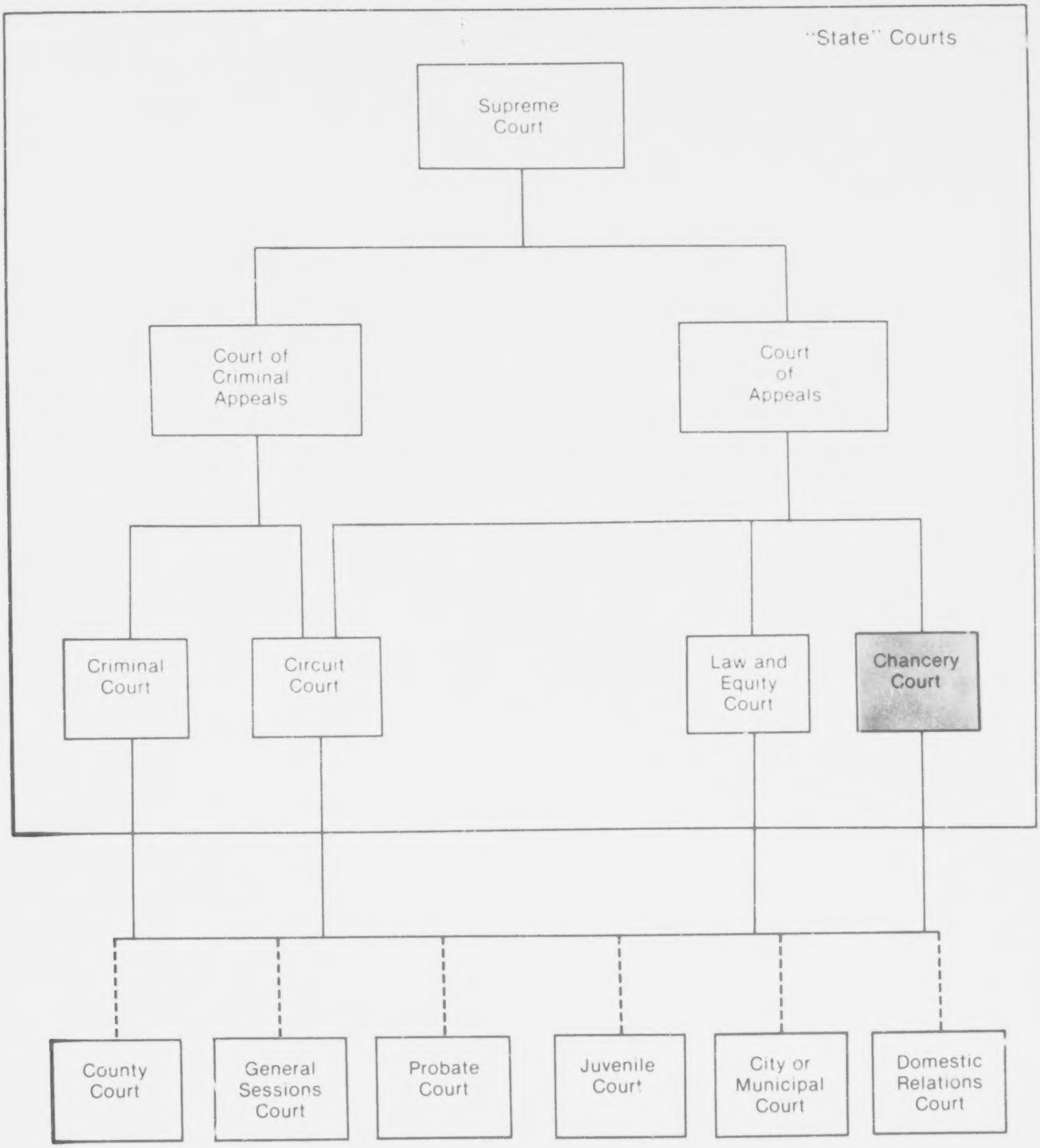
County	Weapons Possession Resale	Special Remedy	Oth. Acts Against Public	TOT. ACTS AGAINST PUBLIC	GRAND TOTAL CRIMINAL
Dyer	8	0	26	156	473
Lake	0	0	1	8	78
Circuit Total	**8**	**0**	**27**	**164**	**551**

31st Judicial Circuit—Criminal Dispositions

County	Acquittal	Convicted After Trial	Dismissal	Guilty Plea	Remanded To General Sessions	Special Remedy Relief	Transferred To Another Court
Dyer	10	16	1	268	0	22	0
Lake	0	23	0	32	0	0	1
Circuit Total	**10**	**39**	**1**	**300**	**0**	**22**	**1**

County	Defendant Not Apprehended	Nolle Prosequi	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Dyer	0	67	1	385
Lake	0	11	6	73
Circuit Total	**0**	**78**	**7**	**458**

Chancery Court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Law and Equity Court
Chancery Court
County Court
General Sessions Court
Probate Court
Juvenile Court
City or Municipal Court
Domestic Relations Court

Constitutional issues, state revenue cases, and workmen's compensation cases have direct appeal to the Supreme Court. Other appeals generally flow as outlined in this chart, but there is no simple pattern of appeals from the lower courts to the upper level trial courts. Factors such as jurisdiction, casetype, and the effects of private legislation may produce different appellate "routes" in each county.

Chancery Court

Organization

The Legislature, pursuant to statute, has divided the State into seventeen regular and two special chancery divisions, and two judicial circuits containing chancery courts. T.C.A. 16-2-106(1979 Supp.); *See also* T.C.A. 16-2-221 through -401(1979 Supp.). The distinctions between these three organizational types are slight, and are largely differences in nomenclature. For all practical purposes, there are twenty-one chancery divisions, i.e., twenty-one functional groupings of counties for the purpose of providing chancery jurisdiction in Tennessee.

The times and places for holding of chancery court terms are set forth by statute in ninety-one of the ninety-five counties. T.C.A. 16-2-221 through -401(1979 Supp.). In two counties, Cannon and Rutherford, terms are set by the presiding judge. T.C.A. 16-2-208. In Dyer and Gibson counties, the law and equity courts exercise exclusive chancery jurisdiction, with terms commencing monthly. T.C.A. 16-2-308.

In all counties, terms of the chancery court, or of the court exercising chancery jurisdiction, are held at the county seat. Additional locations for the holding of chancery court are prescribed for two counties in the first chancery division. In Sullivan County, court is held in Bristol and Kingsport in addition to Blountville, the county seat; in Washington County, the court sits in Johnson City and in Jonesboro, the county seat. T.C.A. 16-2-221, -231(1979 Supp.).

By law, every chancellor must hold court at the times appointed by law, and failure to open court within the first three days of a term shall result in the chancellor having one hundred dollars deducted from his salary. T.C.A. 17-1-201, -202(1955).

In addition to the regularly prescribed term of court, a chancellor is permitted to order a special term whenever he deems it necessary. T.C.A. 16-1-201(1955). When in vacation, a special term may be ordered by newspaper publication in his division, giving at least ten (10) days notice to the clerk of his court before the beginning of such special term. The chancellor is given the same power and jurisdiction in a special term as during the regular term. T.C.A. 16-1-202, -204(1955).

A chancellor is authorized to hold adjourned terms whenever the business of his court so requires, by entering an order on the minutes of the court "stating the date to which the adjournment is had, and on which the said term of court will reconvene." The chancellor is given the same jurisdiction and power and may hear and decide all business as in a regular term. T.C.A. 16-11-202(a), -202(c)(1955).

Chancellors may attend to most chancery causes anywhere in their division, without regard to the county of origin or to formal terms of court, pursuant to the Tennessee Rules of Civil Procedure. The continued existence or expiration of a term of court in no way affects the power of a court to do any act or take any proceeding in any civil action which has been pending before it. Tenn. R. Civ. P. 6.03(1).

A chancellor may take any action in chambers except the hearing and determination by final decree of cases for divorce and those in which a jury is required. Tenn. R. Civ. P. 6.03(2).

Administration

The Supreme Court has certain supervisory powers with regard to the chancery courts, including but not limited to, the following:

(1) To designate and assign temporarily any judge including chancellors to hold, or sit as a member of any court, of comparable dignity or equal or higher level, for any good and sufficient reason. T.C.A. 16-3-502(1979 Supp.).

(2) To require the Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court to monitor the dockets of the chancery and other courts. T.C.A. 16-3-502(1979 Supp.).

(3) To take affirmative and appropriate action to correct or alleviate any caseload imbalance. T.C.A. 16-3-502(1979 Supp.).

(4) To alleviate any condition adversely affecting the administration of justice. T.C.A. 16-3-502(1979 Supp.).

To provide for more efficient administration of the caseload in metropolitan counties and in areas where circuit judges, chancellors, criminal court judges or other comparable judges serve the same counties, the Supreme Court has created the position of presiding judge. Tenn. Sup. Ct. Rule 11(1)(a). The presiding judge has the authority to assign, or supervise the assignment of all cases falling within the jurisdiction of the affected courts. Tenn. Sup. Ct. Rule 11(1)(b). The presiding judge is charged with insuring that all judges hear cases without regard to the nature or category of the case, so as to equalize the judicial workload.

The principal administrative aide to the chancery court is the clerk and master. The clerk provides assistance in the areas of courtroom administration and records management, docket maintenance, revenue management, maintenance of court minutes, official communication/and various other court-associated duties. T.C.A. 18-1-101, -102(1955 and 1979 Supp.). The clerks and master are appointed by the chancellor for a six-year term. Tenn. Const. art 6, Sec. 13; T.C.A. 18-4-101(1955).

Selection

Article 6, Section 4 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that the judges of the chancery courts shall be elected for a term of eight years by the voters of the division to which they are assigned. It should be noted that chancellor's right to his full term and his full salary is not dependent alone upon his good conduct, but also upon the contingency that the legislature may, for the public good, consider his office unnecessary and abolish it. When the court over which a chancellor presides is abolished, the salary of the judge ceases. *State ex. rel. Coleman v. Campbell*, 3 Shannon's Cases 355(1875).

A chancellor must be at least thirty years of age, a resident of the State for five years, and a resident of the division for one year. Tenn. Const. art 6, Sec. 4. Futhermore, a chancellor must be authorized to practice law in the courts in Tennessee and must meet the general standards of eligibility to hold any public office as prescribed by statute. T.C.A. 17-1-106(1979 Supp.); 8-18-101(1980).

Jurisdiction

By constitutional provision the jurisdiction of chancery courts of Tennessee is determined by statute and may be increased, decreased or altered by the Legislature. Tenn. Const. art 6, Sec. 8; *See, e.g., Moore v. Love*, 171 Tenn. 682, 107 S.W.2d 982(1937).

The statutes provide that the chancery courts of Tennessee "shall have all the powers, privileges and jurisdiction properly and rightfully incident to a court of equity." T.C.A. 16-11-101(1955). This grant of jurisdiction is generally referred to as the inherent jurisdiction of chancery courts and consists of the jurisdiction which existed in the High Court of Chancery in England. This jurisdiction was adopted by North Carolina and, in turn, was adopted by Tennessee upon its formation as a state and its adoption of the laws of North Carolina. *J.W. Kelly & Co. v. Conner*, 122 Tenn. 339, 123 S.W. 622(1909). This inherent jurisdiction is original and exclusive in cases of an equitable nature where the debt or demand exceeds fifty dollars. The chancery court is without jurisdiction in such cases where the debt or demand is less than fifty dollars. T.C.A. 16-11-103(1955).

The types of cases over which chancery courts exercise inherent jurisdiction are set out in detail in *Gibson's Suits in Chancery*, and include the following:

(1) All suits resulting from accidents and mistakes.

(2) All suits resulting from frauds, actual and constructive.

(3) All suits resulting from trusts, express, constructive and resulting.

(4) All suits for the specific performance of contracts.

(5) All suits for the reformation, re-execution, rescission and surrender of written instruments.

(6) All suits for an accounting, and for surcharging and falsifying accounts.

(7) All suits between partners, and to wind up an insolvent partnership.

(8) All suits for the administration and marshaling of assets.

(9) All suits for subrogation and substitution.

(10) All suits for the enforcement of liens created by mortgages, deeds of trust, sales of land on credit, or other equitable considerations.

(11) All suits by married women against their husbands, except for divorce.

(12) All suits against married women and minors in reference to their estates, not cognizable by law.

(13) All suits by wards against guardians, executors, administrators and others, where an accounting or surcharging or falsifying an account, is necessary.

(14) All suits for an apportionment and contribution.

(15) All suits for the marshaling of securities.

(16) All suits for relief against forfeitures and penalties.

(17) All suits for the redemption of land or other property.

(18) All suits to have absolute deeds or bills of sale declared to be mortgages.

(19) All suits for the construction and enforcement of wills and trusts.

(20) All suits to obtain a set-off against a judgment in favor of a nonresident or insolvent.

(21) All suits for the discovery and perpetuation of testimony.

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(22) All suits to compel claimants to interplead.

(23) All suits for equitable attachments and receivers.

(24) All suits where a *ne exeat republica* is sought.

(25) All suits where an injunction is a substantial part of the relief sought.

(26) All suits to remove clouds and quiet titles.

(27) All suits for the establishment and execution of charities.

(28) All suits for a new trial after a judgment at law.

(29) All suits to have void judgments so declared, and to avoid voidable judgments.

(30) All suits to execute decrees, and to impeach decrees and judgments.

(31) All suits to prevent the doing of an illegal or inequitable act to the injury of complainant's property rights, or interests, *quia timet*.

(32) All suits for the exoneration or protection of sureties.

(33) All other suits where the defendant has done, or is doing, or is threatening to do, some inequitable act to the injury of the complainant, and there is no adequate remedy therefor in any other court. 1 Gibson's Suits in Chancery Sec. 29(1955ed.).

Although this inherent jurisdiction of chancery court is exclusive, if no objection to jurisdiction is made, a circuit court may hear and determine such suits or may transfer the suit to chancery court. T.C.A. 16-10-111(1979 Supp.).

The jurisdiction of the chancery courts has been increased by statutes covering specific actions. These statutes provide that chancery courts have exclusive jurisdiction over the following suits:

(1) To aid judgment creditors to subject a debtor's property to the satisfaction of the judgment where the property cannot be reached by execution. T.C.A. 16-11-104, 26-4-101(1955).

(2) To decide all disputes between the State and corporations, their stockholders or creditors. T.C.A. 16-11-105(1955).

(3) To subject the property of corporations, when the corporate franchises are not used or have been granted to others, to the payment of their debts. T.C.A. 29-12-107(1955).

(4) To decide all cases wherein a boundary line dispute is involved. T.C.A. 16-11-106(a)(1955).

(5) To enforce foreign judgments against the property of a nonresident debtor when the judgment creditor has exhausted his legal remedies. T.C.A. 16-11-107(b)(1955).

(6) To sell the property of those under a disability when manifestly in their best interest for support, maintenance or education. T.C.A. 34-606 to -621(1977).

(7) To sell, partition, and reinvest the property of lunatics, when in their manifest best interest. T.C.A. 34-622 to -625(1977).

(8) To administer the distribution of estates where there are difficulties, complexities, or conflicting claims. T.C.A. 30-1313(1977).

(9) To enjoin violation of the Biological Residue Law without regard as to whether there is an adequate remedy at law. T.C.A. 52-941(1977).

(10) To enjoin violation of the Tennessee Commercial Fertilizer Law. T.C.A. 42-11-122(1979 Supp.).

(11) To set aside fraudulent conveyances which hinder creditors and to subject such property of debtors to the satisfaction of their debts. T.C.A. 29-12-101(1955).

(12) To entertain all creditors' bills for the subjection of a debtor's property where the legal remedies are inadequate. T.C.A. 29-12-109.

(13) To enjoin unfair trade practices in violation of the Dairy Law of Tennessee. T.C.A. 52-333(B)(1)(c)(1977).

(14) To grant injunctions to prevent any violation of the Emergency Medical Services Law. T.C.A. 53-5110(d)(1977).

(15) To enjoin unfair trade practices in violation of the Frozen Dessert Law. T.C.A. 52-341(B)(1)(c)(1977).

(16) To enjoin violation of the Tennessee Garbage Feeding Law. T.C.A. 44-5-108(1977 Supp.).

(17) To issue injunctions to compel compliance with the provisions of the Motor Carriers Law and with the orders of the Public Service Commission thereunder. T.C.A. 65-1523(1976).

(18) To enjoin violation of the Tennessee Medical Laboratories Act. T.C.A. 53-4131(1977).

(19) To enjoin violation of the Public Water Supply and Sewer System Law and orders issued by the Commissioner of Public Health pursuant thereto. T.C.A. 53-2006(1977).

(20) To grant mandatory injunctions to enforce the right of the Commissioner of Revenue to examine the records of carriers under the Retail Sales Tax Law. T.C.A. 67-3037(1977).

(21) To hear and determine suits by the Commissioner of Revenue to recover erroneous refunds of motor

vehicle fuel and/or gasoline excise taxes. T.C.A. 67-3840(1976).

(22) To try election contests unless it is expressly provided otherwise by statute. T.C.A. 2-17-101(1979 Supp.).

(23) To enjoin violation of the Contractor's Licensing Law. T.C.A. 62-623 (1979 Supp.).

(24) To revoke the charters, suspend the registrations of, and appoint receivers for the improvement and care of trust funds of cemeteries. T.C.A. 46-2-308, 46-3-110(1979 Supp.).

(25) To approve accounting of common trust funds. T.C.A. 35-4031977).

(26) To hear petitions to take a child from an orphan asylum. T.C.A. 14-11-109(1973).

(27) To declare escheats. T.C.A. 31-804(1977)

Various statutes provide that the chancery courts are to have jurisdiction concurrent with the **circuit courts** over the following actions:

(1) Suits for the abatement and recovery of usury. T.C.A. 47-14-115.

(2) Suits for divorce or adoption. T.C.A. 16-11-110(1955)

(3) Suits to enter judgment upon an award made by an arbitrator and to appoint arbitrators, upon the agreement of the parties thereto. T.C.A. 29-4-101; 16-11-112, 16-10-105(1955).

(4) Suits to determine agreed upon cases where the chancery court has subject matter jurisdiction. T.C.A. 16-11-112(1955).

(5) Suits brought in the name of the State for removal or ouster of public officers, to prevent the usurpation of office or against private corporations. T.C.A. 29-35-101 to 29-35-121(1955).

(6) Suits for the abatement of various public nuisances. T.C.A. 29-3-102(1955) T.C.A. 24-3-101(1955) was declared unconstitutional in *Airways Theatre v. Canale*, 366 F. Supp. 343 (W.D. Tenn. 1973).

(7) Suits to enforce statutory liens. *See, e.g.*, T.C.A. 64-1101 to 2101(1976). Justices of the peace and general sessions courts may also have concurrent jurisdiction over many of these liens.

(8) Suits to recover personal property and damages incidental thereto. T.C.A. 29-30-103(1979 Supp.). General sessions courts also have concurrent jurisdiction.

(9) Suits under the Declaratory Judgement Act. T.C.A. 29-14-102(1955)

(10) Suits under the Workmen's Compensation Act. T.C.A. 50-1018, -1006(1979 Supp.).

(11) Suits for *habeas corpus* in cases of equitable cognizance. T.C.A. 29-21-103(1955).

(12) Suits for *mandamus*. T.C.A. 29-25-101(1955).

(13) Suits for the removal of the disability of minority. T.C.A. 29-31-101(1979 Supp.).

(14) Suits to approve the compromise of personal injury claims of infants and insane persons. T.C.A. 34-1102(1977).

(15) Suits to issue order requiring persons to appear and give evidence to the Commissioner of Agriculture under the Dairy Law of Tennessee. T.C.A. 52-333(B)(1)(b)(1977).

(16) Suits to issue orders of condemnation under the Tennessee Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act. T.C.A. 52-106(1977)

(17) Suits to hear and determine petitions concerning the failure of hospital authorities to conduct audits under the Metropolitan Hospital Authority Act. T.C.A. 7-57-404(1979 Supp.).

(18) Suits to issue injunctions against any person engaging in business as a liquified petroleum gas dealer in violation of the Liquified Petroleum Safety Act of Tennessee. T.C.A. 53-3611(1977).

(19) Suits to enjoin unlicensed chiropractice. T.C.A. 63-418(1979 Supp.).

(20) Suits to enjoin violation of the Electrologist's Licensing Law. T.C.A. 62-2419(1976).

(21) Suits to enjoin the practice of nursing without a license. T.C.A. 63-759(1979 Supp.).

(22) Suits to enjoin the unlawful practice of podiatry. T.C.A. 63-321(1979 Supp.).

(23) Suits to abate the nuisances of selling soft drinks containing alcohol. T.C.A. 57-507(1968).

In addition to the specific statutory grants of concurrent jurisdiction enumerated above, the jurisdiction of chancery courts has been vastly expanded by a general jurisdictional statute which provides that the chancery courts have concurrent jurisdiction with the courts "of all civil causes of action, triable in circuit court, except for unliquidated damages for injuries to person or character, and except for unliquidated damages for injuries to property not resulting from a breach of oral or written contract..." T.C.A. 16-11-102(1955).

The chancery courts have been given concurrent jurisdiction with the **county court** over the following subject matter:

(1) Persons and estates of those of unsound mind. T.C.A. 16-11-108(1955).

(2) Persons and estates of infants and the appointment and removal of guardians. T.C.A. 16-11-109(1955).

(3) Appointment of an administrator of a decendent's estate, when no person will apply to the county court or can be procured in the usual manner. T.C.A. 16-11-113(1955); 30-301 to -312(1977). *See* T.C.A. 16-11-114(1979 Supp.).

(4) The appointment of conservators for incompetents. T.C.A. 34-1008(1977).

The chancery courts have concurrent jurisdiction with both the **circuit** and **county courts** over the following actions:

(1) The partition of land among those entitled. T.C.A. 16-10-109, 16-11-111(1979 Supp.).

(2) The sale of land to satisfy the debts of a decedent whose personalty is inadequate. T.C.A. 16-10-109, 16-11-111(1979 Supp.).

(3) The sale of land to satisfy the debts of a decedent by personal representatives, guardians, heirs, or tenants in common. T.C.A. 16-10-109, 16-11-111(1976 Supp.).

(4) The allotment of homestead. T.C.A. 30-902(1977).

(5) The acceptance of the resignation of trustees and actions to remove and replace trustees, testamentary or otherwise. T.C.A. 35-101(1977).

(6) The actions bought under the Workmen's Compensation Act. T.C.A. 50-1018, -1006(1977).

(7) Actions to condemn easements to private roads where there are no other adequate and convenient means of ingress and egress. T.C.A. 54-14-104(1980).

The jurisdiction of the chancery courts is concurrent with the **circuit courts and the general sessions courts** in all cases wherein the debt or demand exceeds fifty ($50) dollars and is less than or equal to three thousand ($3,000) dollars, except in the following cases:

(1) Those cases for unliquidated damages for injury to character or person or for unliquidated damages to property resulting from other than a breach of contract. T.C.A. 16-15-501(d)(1955).

(2) All cases of forcible entry and detainer. T.C.A. 18-3-101; 29-1-105, 29-18-108(1955); 16-11-102(1955).

(3) Actions to recover personal property where the debt or property value is less than seven thousand five hundred ($7,500) dollars. T.C.A. 16-15-501(d)(1979 Supp.); 29-30-102(1977 Supp.). The maximum monetary limit applies to the courts of general sessions

(4) Motions against sheriffs, constables and their sureties for summary judgments to which the aggrieved party may be entitled and to recover money collected by such officers who have wrongfully failed to pay over such money. T.C.A. 19-2-101(a)(1955); 25-3-141(1955); 16-11-102(1955).

(5) All actions commenced by attachment where there is otherwise jurisdiction over the subject matter without regard to the attachment. T.C.A. 29-6-110, 29-6-111(1955).

Chancery courts have jurisdiction either exclusively, or often concurrently, with the circuit courts in reviewing the actions of various administrative boards, commissions, or agencies, either by express provision of the statutes creating and governing such boards (T.C.A. 27-9-101(1955)) or under a general statute permitting review where not otherwise specifically provided, (*Id.* 27-9-101(1955)) or in a proper case, by the common law writ. T.C.A. 27-8-101(1955). Additionally, the chancery courts have exclusive jurisdiction to review contested cases under the new Tennessee Administrative Procedure Act. T.C.A. 4-5-117(1979).

Procedure

In 1970, the Supreme Court adopted the Rules of Civil Procedure. These Rules were approved by the legislature pursuant to T.C.A. 16-3-404(1979 Supp.) and took effect January 1, 1971. These Rules govern procedure in all civil actions in chancery court, and in all other courts while exercising the jurisdiction of chancery court. Tenn. R. Civ. P. 1.

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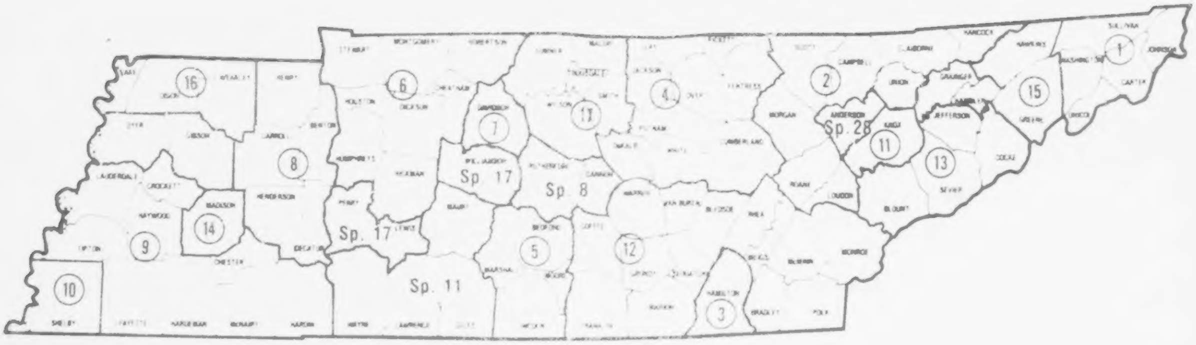
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1st Chancery Division—Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Carter	11	178	30	0	3	222	16
Johnson	1	9	2	0	7	19	13
Sullivan	6	95	18	0	1	120	65
Unicoi	3	45	10	0	1	59	9
Washington	40	439	76	0	12	567	53
Division Total	**61**	**766**	**136**	**0**	**24**	**987**	**156**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Carter	0	28	51	3	0	0	0
Johnson	4	12	8	19	0	0	0
Sullivan	4	9	163	1	0	0	1
Unicoi	2	15	13	36	0	0	0
Washington	3	29	162	15	0	0	9
Division Total	**13**	**93**	**397**	**74**	**0**	**0**	**10**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL
Carter	0	0	5	0	6	109	**331**
Johnson	0	1	0	0	0	57	**76**
Sullivan	0	15	2	0	10	270	**390**
Unicoi	0	0	2	0	3	80	**139**
Washington	0	24	6	1	8	310	**877**
Division Total	**0**	**40**	**15**	**1**	**27**	**826**	**1813**

1st Chancery Division—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Carter	15	0	0	88	147	43	28
Johnson	0	0	0	5	13	20	1
Sullivan	0	3	1	117	39	46	11
Unicoi	3	0	0	21	28	7	6
Washington	24	29	3	222	368	151	54
Division Total	**42**	**32**	**4**	**453**	**595**	**267**	**100**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Carter	34	0	0	0	0	0	**355**
Johnson	1	0	0	1	2	4	**47**
Sullivan	95	4	3	2	5	0	**326**
Unicoi	15	0	7	0	0	0	**87**
Washington	72	5	1	18	3	11	**961**
Division Total	**217**	**9**	**11**	**21**	**10**	**15**	**1776**

Chancellors presiding in this circuit are: Leon Jordan.

2nd Chancery Division—Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Campbell	17	31	3	0	3	54	56
Claiborne	7	229	15	0	0	251	43
Hancock	1	28	0	0	0	29	5
Hawkins	19	215	60	0	1	295	14
Loudon	13	36	7	0	2	58	19
Morgan	6	89	4	0	4	103	23
Roane	23	26	6	0	2	57	45
Scott	0	11	3	0	0	14	31
Division Total	**86**	**665**	**98**	**0**	**12**	**861**	**236**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Campbell	0	11	17	11	0	0	0
Claiborne	1	21	11	5	1	0	0
Hancock	0	14	0	0	0	0	2
Hawkins	0	21	15	8	1	0	0
Loudon	2	14	14	2	2	0	3
Morgan	6	28	3	9	1	1	0
Roane	0	13	8	5	3	0	4
Scott	2	19	15	4	0	1	0
Division Total	**11**	**141**	**83**	**44**	**8**	**2**	**9**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Campbell	0	20	1	0	2	118	172
Claiborne	3	11	1	0	0	97	348
Hancock	0	1	0	0	0	22	51
Hawkins	1	0	2	0	26	88	383
Loudon	10	17	3	0	3	89	147
Morgan	0	5	1	0	1	78	181
Roane	1	6	6	0	22	113	170
Scott	0	1	1	0	0	74	88
Division Total	**15**	**61**	**15**	**0**	**54**	**679**	**1540**

Chancellors presiding in this circuit are: Billy Joe White.

2nd Chancery Division—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Campbell	15	0	6	61	21	53	3
Claiborne	13	4	9	64	166	34	5
Hancock	0	2	1	11	19	12	0
Hawkins	17	0	0	75	170	49	39
Loudon	10	3	2	24	23	24	1
Morgan	6	0	5	28	50	25	6
Roane	20	2	10	44	20	60	4
Scott	3	0	3	25	6	40	2
Division Total	**84**	**11**	**36**	**332**	**475**	**297**	**60**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Campbell	15	1	0	5	1	0	**181**
Claiborne	22	20	0	1	0	1	**339**
Hancock	0	0	1	0	0	11	**57**
Hawkins	12	2	0	0	1	0	**365**
Loudon	10	5	1	1	0	7	**111**
Morgan	4	1	1	4	2	1	**133**
Roane	18	0	0	2	0	11	**191**
Scott	10	0	0	0	0	0	**89**
Division Total	**91**	**29**	**3**	**13**	**4**	**31**	**1466**

3rd Chancery Division—Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Hamilton	119	298	36	0	6	459	509
Division Total	**119**	**298**	**36**	**0**	**6**	**459**	**509**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Hamilton	48	66	174	669	0	0	30
Division Total	**48**	**66**	**174**	**669**	**0**	**0**	**30**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Hamilton	62	180	1	8	0	1747	**2206**
Division Total	**62**	**180**	**1**	**8**	**0**	**1747**	**2206**

3rd Chancery Division—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Hamilton	100	18	72	494	246	268	54
Division Total	**100**	**18**	**72**	**494**	**246**	**268**	**54**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Hamilton	187	23	8	442	14	2	**1928**
Division Total	**187**	**23**	**8**	**442**	**14**	**2**	**1928**

Chancellors presiding in this circuit are: Wilkes T. Thrasher, Jr. and Howell N. Peoples.

4th Chancery Division—Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Clay	0	1	0	0	0	1	1
Cumberland	13	197	0	0	1	211	60
DeKalb	4	24	0	0	1	29	30
Fentress	0	6	4	0	2	12	9
Jackson	0	10	0	0	0	10	3
Overton	3	31	0	1	1	36	14
Pickett	1	22	2	0	0	25	2
Putnam	3	337	58	0	2	400	42
White	6	23	1	0	1	31	21
Division Total	30	651	65	1	8	755	182

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Clay	0	0	3	1	0	0	0
Cumberland	4	21	16	0	0	0	0
DeKalb	4	8	10	6	0	2	0
Fentress	0	15	16	0	1	0	0
Jackson	0	13	1	2	0	0	0
Overton	1	16	4	0	0	0	0
Pickett	4	2	3	1	0	0	0
Putnam	5	10	34	3	0	0	6
White	9	6	14	4	0	1	0
Division Total	27	91	101	17	1	3	6

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Clay	0	0	1	0	1	7	8
Cumberland	0	0	1	0	5	107	318
DeKalb	0	1	2	0	3	66	95
Fentress	0	0	0	0	3	44	56
Jackson	0	6	1	0	0	26	36
Overton	0	0	1	0	0	36	72
Pickett	0	0	2	0	3	17	42
Putnam	0	8	2	0	9	119	519
White	0	0	2	0	0	57	88
Division Total	0	15	12	0	24	479	1234

Chancellors presiding in this circuit are: Vernon Neal.

4th Chancery Division—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Clay	0	0	2	0	2	4	0
Cumberland	9	2	17	51	123	14	7
DeKalb	3	0	6	20	3	36	1
Fentress	0	0	0	15	4	18	1
Jackson	1	0	0	11	3	4	0
Overton	3	0	8	10	7	0	0
Pickett	0	0	0	10	20	1	0
Putnam	3	2	1	127	231	46	27
White	10	0	13	18	11	0	12
Division Total	**29**	**4**	**47**	**262**	**404**	**123**	**48**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Clay	3	0	0	0	0	0	11
Cumberland	11	31	1	0	1	1	268
DeKalb	4	1	0	0	0	2	76
Fentress	4	0	0	0	0	5	47
Jackson	4	2	1	0	0	2	28
Overton	15	0	0	0	0	0	43
Pickett	6	0	0	0	0	1	38
Putnam	5	1	0	3	0	13	459
White	10	1	0	2	1	0	78
Division Total	**62**	**36**	**2**	**5**	**2**	**24**	**1048**

5th Chancery Division—Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Bedford	18	261	61	0	5	345	59
Lincoln	5	34	1	0	2	42	34
Marshall	3	177	12	0	1	193	12
Moore	1	19	1	0	0	21	6
Division Total	**27**	**491**	**75**	**0**	**8**	**601**	**111**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Bedford	1	23	25	5	0	0	29
Lincoln	2	8	5	0	0	0	0
Marshall	0	1	12	2	0	0	9
Moore	0	0	0	21	0	0	0
Division Total	**3**	**32**	**42**	**28**	**0**	**0**	**38**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Bedford	0	1	2	1	12	158	**503**
Lincoln	0	0	2	0	12	63	**105**
Marshall	0	0	1	2	16	55	**248**
Moore	0	0	0	0	0	27	**48**
Division Total	**0**	**1**	**5**	**3**	**40**	**303**	**904**

5th Chancery Division—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Bedford	20	9	2	97	205	54	61
Lincoln	5	0	2	27	23	11	2
Marshall	6	8	6	54	138	2	7
Moore	0	0	1	2	19	1	0
Division Total	**31**	**17**	**11**	**180**	**385**	**68**	**70**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Bedford	7	0	0	5	0	6	**466**
Lincoln	5	0	0	0	0	21	**96**
Marshall	12	0	0	0	0	9	**242**
Moore	1	0	0	8	0	0	**32**
Division Total	**25**	**0**	**0**	**13**	**0**	**36**	**836**

Chancellors presiding in this circuit are: Tyrus H. Cobb.

6th Chancery Division—Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Cheatham	4	56	19	0	1	80	9
Dickson	13	99	10	0	1	123	21
Hickman	7	27	15	0	3	52	11
Houston	3	12	2	0	1	18	1
Humphreys	2	19	5	0	0	26	10
Montgomery	56	599	41	0	10	706	37
Robertson	12	36	2	1	0	51	49
Stewart	3	47	1	0	4	55	11
Division Total	**100**	**895**	**95**	**1**	**20**	**1111**	**149**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Cheatham	1	17	1	2	0	0	2
Dickson	1	48	6	5	1	0	18
Hickman	0	11	0	3	0	0	0
Houston	0	5	1	17	0	0	0
Humphreys	4	13	4	1	1	0	1
Montgomery	4	7	27	2	1	0	27
Robertson	5	4	4	13	0	0	0
Stewart	1	3	0	0	0	0	0
Division Total	**16**	**108**	**43**	**43**	**3**	**0**	**48**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Cheatham	0	1	1	0	4	38	118
Dickson	0	0	0	0	2	102	225
Hickman	0	0	1	0	3	29	81
Houston	0	0	0	0	0	24	42
Humphreys	0	0	0	0	5	39	65
Montgomery	0	1	0	0	9	115	821
Robertson	0	0	8	0	3	86	137
Stewart	0	0	1	0	2	18	73
Division Total	**0**	**2**	**11**	**0**	**28**	**451**	**1562**

Chancellors presiding in this circuit are: Alex Darnell.

6th Chancery Division—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Cheatham	8	1	2	17	54	9	3
Dickson	10	14	7	32	88	13	8
Hickman	2	4	0	20	19	10	8
Houston	3	0	0	5	15	2	1
Humphreys	2	2	2	26	14	9	4
Montgomery	50	27	0	171	478	7	28
Robertson	5	0	6	16	19	16	3
Stewart	1	0	1	9	30	5	0
Division Total	**81**	**48**	**18**	**296**	**717**	**71**	**55**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Cheatham	7	0	1	0	0	2	**104**
Dickson	16	0	0	1	1	7	**197**
Hickman	11	2	0	0	1	3	**80**
Houston	3	0	0	6	0	1	**36**
Humphreys	4	1	0	3	0	4	**71**
Montgomery	26	0	2	0	2	14	**805**
Robertson	16	1	0	14	0	0	**96**
Stewart	3	0	0	0	0	3	**52**
Division Total	**86**	**4**	**3**	**24**	**4**	**34**	**1441**

7th Chancery Division—Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Davidson	0	1	0	0	1	2	1182
Division Total	**0**	**1**	**0**	**0**	**1**	**2**	**1182**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Davidson	202	258	444	30	124	0	0
Division Total	**202**	**258**	**444**	**30**	**124**	**0**	**0**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Davidson	15	62	30	8	151	2506	2508
Division Total	**15**	**62**	**30**	**8**	**151**	**2506**	**2508**

7th Chancery Division—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Davidson	2	0	310	439	1	386	8
Division Total	**2**	**0**	**310**	**439**	**1**	**386**	**8**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Davidson	687	4	41	18	2	9	1907
Division Total	**687**	**4**	**41**	**18**	**2**	**9**	**1907**

Chancellors presiding in this circuit are: C. Allen High, Robert S. Brandt and Irvin H. Kilcrease, Jr.

8th Chancery Division—Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Benton	8	128	6	0	1	143	18
Carroll	16	161	7	0	2	186	26
Decatur	2	36	2	0	0	40	15
Henderson	13	113	16	0	0	142	19
Henry	8	209	40	0	2	259	40
Division Total	**47**	**647**	**71**	**0**	**5**	**770**	**118**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Benton	3	7	24	2	0	0	12
Carroll	2	13	22	6	1	0	12
Decatur	0	6	15	2	0	0	0
Henderson	0	5	24	5	0	0	8
Henry	0	6	35	16	0	0	0
Division Total	**5**	**37**	**120**	**31**	**1**	**0**	**32**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Benton	0	0	1	0	11	78	**221**
Carroll	0	0	3	0	3	88	**274**
Decatur	0	0	0	0	3	41	**81**
Henderson	0	0	1	0	8	70	**212**
Henry	0	1	2	0	3	103	**362**
Division Total	**0**	**1**	**7**	**0**	**28**	**380**	**1150**

8th Chancery Division—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Benton	8	10	0	18	81	24	2
Carroll	14	16	3	74	119	32	9
Decatur	1	1	1	18	28	3	3
Henderson	13	2	6	65	78	2	12
Henry	8	0	0	59	148	49	46
Division Total	**44**	**29**	**10**	**234**	**454**	**110**	**72**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Benton	8	1	10	1	0	1	**164**
Carroll	17	0	0	1	1	9	**295**
Decatur	3	0	0	0	1	3	**62**
Henderson	30	0	3	2	0	1	**214**
Henry	18	0	1	9	0	0	**338**
Division Total	**76**	**1**	**14**	**13**	**2**	**14**	**1073**

Chancellors presiding in this circuit are: John Walton West.

9th Chancery Division—Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Chester	4	409	0	0	0	413	9
Crockett	5	107	13	0	1	126	8
Fayette	5	346	37	0	4	392	18
Hardeman	12	178	33	0	1	224	10
Hardin	8	67	10	1	0	86	26
Haywood	7	163	19	0	3	192	20
Lauderdale	9	230	45	0	2	286	24
McNairy	17	97	8	2	3	127	41
Tipton	17	538	30	1	0	586	50
Division Total	**84**	**2135**	**195**	**4**	**14**	**2432**	**206**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate. Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Chester	1	3	6	3	0	0	5
Crockett	6	8	19	18	1	1	1
Fayette	2	10	6	57	5	0	0
Hardeman	3	9	13	2	1	0	17
Hardin	0	22	10	4	1	0	6
Haywood	3	11	18	4	0	0	18
Lauderdale	0	11	23	0	0	0	0
McNairy	2	5	26	5	0	0	7
Tipton	1	18	11	4	0	5	1
Division Total	**18**	**97**	**132**	**97**	**8**	**6**	**55**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Chester	0	1	1	0	0	29	**442**
Crockett	0	10	3	0	8	83	**209**
Fayette	0	5	0	0	3	106	**498**
Hardeman	36	2	2	0	15	110	**334**
Hardin	1	5	3	0	0	78	**164**
Haywood	2	6	2	0	7	91	**283**
Lauderdale	0	6	1	0	13	78	**364**
McNairy	0	0	2	0	7	95	**222**
Tipton	0	0	1	0	2	93	**679**
Division Total	**39**	**35**	**15**	**0**	**55**	**763**	**3195**

Chancellors presiding in this circuit are: Robert S. Thomas and Dewey C. Whitenton.

9th Chancery Division—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Chester	3	11	0	33	259	6	10
Crockett	6	8	1	52	70	3	6
Fayette	5	0	2	53	248	9	23
Hardeman	7	7	1	84	135	54	9
Hardin	11	3	9	33	44	16	10
Haywood	5	11	2	71	111	11	17
Lauderdale	8	0	0	86	186	0	4
McNairy	12	4	1	33	79	12	14
Tipton	12	5	0	66	378	33	12
Division Total	**69**	**49**	**16**	**511**	**1510**	**144**	**105**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Chester	6	2	1	3	0	0	**334**
Crockett	22	3	1	1	0	5	**178**
Fayette	9	3	0	33	0	3	**388**
Hardeman	5	0	0	1	0	2	**305**
Hardin	7	10	0	3	1	0	**147**
Haywood	15	0	0	1	1	12	**257**
Lauderdale	85	0	0	0	0	4	**373**
McNairy	12	1	0	3	0	12	**183**
Tipton	9	0	0	0	0	0	**515**
Division Total	**170**	**19**	**2**	**45**	**2**	**38**	**2680**

10th Chancery Division—Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Shelby	348	1487	131	6	1	1973	242
Division Total	**348**	**1487**	**131**	**6**	**1**	**1973**	**242**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Shelby	89	181	49	13	35	0	8
Division Total	**89**	**181**	**49**	**13**	**35**	**0**	**8**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Shelby	0	169	11	8	20	825	**2798**
Division Total	**0**	**169**	**11**	**8**	**20**	**825**	**2798**

10th Chancery Division—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Shelby	282	14	43	781	1081	209	2
Division Total	**282**	**14**	**43**	**781**	**1081**	**209**	**2**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Shelby	76	3	19	0	38	0	**2548**
Division Total	**76**	**3**	**19**	**0**	**38**	**0**	**2548**

Chancellors presiding in this circuit are: Robert A. Hoffmann, Wil V. Doran and D. J. Alissandratos.

11th Chancery Division—Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Knox	122	1109	319	0	0	1550	337
Division Total	**122**	**1109**	**319**	**0**	**0**	**1550**	**337**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Knox	0	123	542	109	0	0	0
Division Total	**0**	**123**	**542**	**109**	**0**	**0**	**0**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Knox	248	0	0	0	516	1875	**3425**
Division Total	**248**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**516**	**1875**	**3425**

11th Chancery Division—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Knox	99	0	58	766	827	354	239
Division Total	**99**	**0**	**58**	**766**	**827**	**354**	**239**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Knox	556	3	5	93	5	248	**3253**
Division Total	**556**	**3**	**5**	**93**	**5**	**248**	**3253**

Chancellors presiding in this circuit are: Len G. Broughton, Jr., Frederick McDonald and David Cate.

12th Chancery Division—Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Bledsoe	1	2	0	0	0	3	13
Bradley	26	51	4	0	1	82	104
Coffee	13	102	17	1	6	139	44
Franklin	10	241	43	0	2	296	49
Grundy	0	14	1	0	0	15	9
McMinn	25	381	127	0	4	537	50
Marion	0	3	2	0	0	5	22
Meigs	3	20	1	0	1	25	6
Monroe	11	141	28	0	1	181	27
Polk	11	59	24	0	0	94	9
Rhea	6	46	2	0	4	58	23
Sequatchie	0	4	2	0	0	6	16
Van Buren	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Warren	2	18	0	0	0	20	68
Division Total	**108**	**1082**	**251**	**1**	**20**	**1462**	**440**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Bledsoe	0	10	1	0	2	0	0
Bradley	1	29	84	0	0	0	0
Coffee	2	11	31	56	0	0	8
Franklin	1	6	22	4	0	0	0
Grundy	3	12	5	1	0	0	0
McMinn	0	16	61	9	3	0	0
Marion	0	24	3	30	0	0	0
Meigs	5	1	2	14	0	0	0
Monroe	3	28	22	1	0	0	17
Polk	1	8	14	1	1	0	0
Rhea	2	10	11	62	0	0	0
Sequatchie	0	9	1	1	0	0	0
Van Buren	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Warren	0	17	18	1	0	0	0
Division Total	**18**	**181**	**275**	**180**	**6**	**0**	**25**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Bledsoe	0	0	1	0	4	31	**34**
Bradley	1	4	0	2	17	242	**324**
Coffee	0	1	2	0	7	162	**301**
Franklin	0	6	10	0	5	103	**399**
Grundy	0	0	1	0	5	36	**51**
McMinn	0	1	1	0	6	147	**684**
Marion	0	1	2	0	9	91	**96**
Meigs	0	2	1	0	4	35	**60**
Monroe	2	4	1	0	15	120	**301**
Polk	0	1	2	0	2	39	**133**
Rhea	0	0	1	0	5	114	**172**
Sequatchie	0	1	1	0	5	34	**40**
Van Buren	0	0	0	0	6	6	**7**
Warren	0	0	0	0	11	115	**135**
Division Total	**3**	**21**	**23**	**2**	**101**	**1275**	**2737**

Chancellors presiding in this circuit are: Lawrence F. Stewart and Earl H. Henley.

12th Chancery Division—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Bledsoe	0	0	4	13	2	16	0
Bradley	23	0	20	71	27	67	2
Coffee	9	6	10	49	67	14	5
Franklin	16	6	19	107	156	6	17
Grundy	0	0	0	14	10	12	0
McMinn	26	0	1	135	272	55	97
Marion	0	0	2	12	0	43	0
Meigs	4	1	2	4	16	3	2
Monroe	16	17	0	66	119	55	25
Polk	6	0	1	25	40	12	25
Rhea	5	0	0	17	25	28	7
Sequatchie	0	0	5	4	3	10	1
Van Buren	1	0	1	0	0	1	0
Warren	0	0	5	26	6	74	0
Division Total	**106**	**30**	**70**	**543**	**743**	**396**	**181**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Bledsoe	3	0	0	0	0	0	**38**
Bradley	85	0	0	0	0	3	**298**
Coffee	12	2	0	13	1	18	**206**
Franklin	32	7	0	0	0	9	**375**
Grundy	4	0	0	0	2	0	**42**
McMinn	23	3	0	6	1	10	**629**
Marion	2	0	3	3	0	0	**65**
Meigs	2	2	0	2	0	2	**40**
Monroe	9	0	1	0	0	16	**324**
Polk	16	1	0	1	2	10	**139**
Rhea	4	0	0	9	3	5	**103**
Sequatchie	6	0	0	0	0	3	**32**
Van Buren	1	0	0	0	0	5	**9**
Warren	1	0	0	1	0	1	**114**
Division Total	**200**	**15**	**4**	**35**	**9**	**82**	**2414**

13th Chancery Division—Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Blount	6	28	43	0	2	79	56
Cocke	7	150	0	0	0	157	12
Jefferson	19	205	17	0	4	245	30
Sevier	19	308	84	0	3	414	79
Division Total	**51**	**691**	**144**	**0**	**9**	**895**	**177**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate. Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Blount	4	9	12	2	0	0	0
Cocke	1	18	9	70	0	0	0
Jefferson	3	19	11	4	1	0	23
Sevier	4	29	2	9	7	1	0
Division Total	**12**	**75**	**34**	**85**	**8**	**1**	**23**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Blount	0	11	3	1	0	98	177
Cocke	0	0	0	0	29	139	296
Jefferson	1	1	0	0	12	105	350
Sevier	0	0	1	0	14	146	560
Division Total	**1**	**12**	**4**	**1**	**55**	**488**	**1383**

13th Chancery Division—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Blount	4	0	0	43	15	42	0
Cocke	2	2	3	79	107	5	0
Jefferson	12	6	1	90	148	28	19
Sevier	15	1	17	150	242	42	28
Division Total	**33**	**9**	**21**	**362**	**512**	**117**	**47**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate. Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Blount	5	0	0	4	1	0	114
Cocke	11	4	1	50	1	40	305
Jefferson	18	1	0	4	0	6	333
Sevier	26	0	0	3	1	2	527
Division Total	**60**	**5**	**1**	**61**	**3**	**48**	**1279**

Chancellors presiding in this circuit are: Chester S. Rainwater, Jr.

14th Chancery Division—Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Madison	30	686	2	0	0	718	127
Division Total	**30**	**686**	**2**	**0**	**0**	**718**	**127**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Madison	0	13	174	15	0	3	84
Division Total	**0**	**13**	**174**	**15**	**0**	**3**	**84**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Madison	0	25	2	0	0	443	1161
Division Total	**0**	**25**	**2**	**0**	**0**	**443**	**1161**

14th Chancery Division—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Madison	28	32	1	244	475	208	259
Division Total	**28**	**32**	**1**	**244**	**475**	**208**	**259**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Madison	3	16	0	13	0	0	1279
Division Total	**3**	**16**	**0**	**13**	**0**	**0**	**1279**

Chancellors presiding in this circuit are: Joe C. Morris.

15th Chancery Division—Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Grainger	1	78	20	0	1	100	20
Greene	23	326	87	2	4	442	24
Hamblen	22	374	53	0	2	451	80
Union	3	66	8	0	2	79	6
Division Total	**49**	**844**	**168**	**2**	**9**	**1072**	**130**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Grainger	0	18	1	1	0	0	0
Greene	7	19	21	15	0	1	0
Hamblen	2	32	36	7	1	0	1
Union	3	14	1	2	0	0	0
Division Total	**12**	**83**	**59**	**25**	**1**	**1**	**1**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Grainger	0	0	1	0	3	44	144
Greene	0	12	2	0	6	107	549
Hamblen	0	8	2	1	37	207	658
Union	0	1	1	0	2	30	109
Division Total	**0**	**21**	**6**	**1**	**48**	**388**	**1460**

15th Chancery Division—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Grainger	3	0	0	22	46	26	7
Greene	20	0	5	112	267	54	73
Hamblen	20	0	0	143	282	88	57
Union	4	6	1	24	37	13	8
Division Total	**47**	**6**	**6**	**301**	**632**	**181**	**145**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Grainger	5	0	1	0	0	0	110
Greene	6	2	3	6	1	1	550
Hamblen	19	0	0	3	0	0	612
Union	6	2	1	2	0	3	107
Division Total	**36**	**4**	**5**	**11**	**1**	**4**	**1379**

Chancellors presiding in this circuit are: William H. Inman

16th Chancery Division—Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Lake	2	51	0	0	1	54	2
Obion	25	286	181	0	2	494	42
Weakley	17	303	0	1	0	321	20
Division Total	**44**	**640**	**181**	**1**	**3**	**869**	**64**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Lake	0	0	2	1	0	0	0
Obion	2	8	84	4	0	1	0
Weakley	3	10	25	7	1	0	0
Division Total	**5**	**18**	**111**	**12**	**1**	**1**	**0**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Lake	0	0	3	0	1	9	**63**
Obion	0	1	1	0	10	153	**647**
Weakley	0	0	4	0	10	80	**401**
Division Total	**0**	**1**	**8**	**0**	**21**	**242**	**1111**

16th Chancery Division—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Lake	1	0	2	6	42	0	10
Obion	24	33	2	126	215	85	58
Weakley	17	23	2	64	179	41	56
Division Total	**42**	**56**	**6**	**196**	**436**	**126**	**124**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Lake	0	0	0	1	0	9	**71**
Obion	49	0	0	1	0	4	**597**
Weakley	9	5	0	4	0	6	**406**
Division Total	**58**	**5**	**0**	**6**	**0**	**19**	**1074**

Chancellors presiding in this circuit are: Homer W. Bradberry.

17th Chancery Division—Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Macon	2	46	4	0	3	55	3
Smith	5	93	20	0	0	118	11
Sumner	18	264	123	0	0	405	253
Trousdale	2	31	7	0	3	43	7
Wilson	15	337	89	0	4	445	59
Division Total	**42**	**771**	**243**	**0**	**10**	**1066**	**333**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Macon	4	3	1	2	0	0	5
Smith	1	1	12	1	0	0	0
Sumner	11	121	13	10	1	0	0
Trousdale	0	9	0	20	0	0	6
Wilson	8	56	7	15	2	0	0
Division Total	**24**	**190**	**33**	**48**	**3**	**0**	**11**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Macon	0	1	1	0	1	21	76
Smith	0	0	3	0	5	34	152
Sumner	0	35	0	23	6	473	878
Trousdale	0	0	2	0	2	46	89
Wilson	1	4	1	0	3	156	601
Division Total	**1**	**40**	**7**	**23**	**17**	**730**	**1796**

17th Chancery Division—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Macon	1	4	3	22	36	7	2
Smith	3	7	1	26	51	13	13
Sumner	18	48	33	196	196	100	12
Trousdale	1	2	2	24	23	22	0
Wilson	16	31	24	113	255	61	20
Division Total	**39**	**92**	**63**	**381**	**561**	**203**	**47**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Macon	2	0	0	0	0	1	78
Smith	2	0	0	0	0	8	124
Sumner	61	6	2	7	0	2	681
Trousdale	2	0	0	0	0	0	76
Wilson	36	1	1	2	1	0	561
Division Total	**103**	**7**	**3**	**9**	**1**	**11**	**1520**

Chancellors presiding in this circuit are: Edward M. Turner.

Special 8th Chancery Division—Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Cannon	6	38	1	0	2	47	11
Rutherford	24	144	17	0	5	190	71
Division Total	**30**	**182**	**18**	**0**	**7**	**237**	**82**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Cannon	3	6	2	9	0	0	0
Rutherford	20	18	15	21	2	0	0
Division Total	**23**	**24**	**17**	**30**	**2**	**0**	**0**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Cannon	0	0	1	0	2	34	81
Rutherford	0	3	4	2	31	187	377
Division Total	**0**	**3**	**5**	**2**	**33**	**221**	458

Special 8th Chancery Division—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Cannon	2	0	1	21	23	7	4
Rutherford	16	0	5	92	114	93	18
Division Total	**18**	**0**	**6**	**113**	**137**	**100**	**22**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Cannon	8	0	0	13	0	5	84
Rutherford	22	0	1	8	2	38	409
Division Total	**30**	**0**	**1**	**21**	**2**	**43**	493

Chancellors presiding in this circuit are: Allen Kidwell.

Special 11th Chancery Division—Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Giles	14	207	12	0	4	237	37
Lawrence	14	269	11	0	4	298	36
Maury	25	410	140	0	38	613	28
Wayne	4	93	25	0	0	122	11
Division Total	**57**	**979**	**188**	**0**	**46**	**1270**	**112**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Giles	2	16	6	10	1	0	2
Lawrence	0	22	2	1	1	2	22
Maury	2	18	4	0	0	0	0
Wayne	0	3	2	2	0	0	1
Division Total	**4**	**59**	**14**	**13**	**2**	**2**	**25**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Giles	0	0	1	0	4	79	**316**
Lawrence	0	2	2	0	0	90	**388**
Maury	0	3	3	0	2	60	**673**
Wayne	0	0	1	0	5	25	**147**
Division Total	**0**	**5**	**7**	**0**	**11**	**254**	**1524**

Special 11th Chancery Division—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Giles	12	5	7	41	152	29	17
Lawrence	15	22	0	90	179	3	5
Maury	18	0	5	165	298	26	76
Wayne	5	9	11	28	58	1	18
Division Total	**50**	**36**	**23**	**324**	**687**	**59**	**116**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Giles	9	0	0	4	0	3	**279**
Lawrence	10	1	19	6	0	22	**372**
Maury	1	1	1	2	0	28	**621**
Wayne	5	0	1	0	0	16	**152**
Division Total	**25**	**2**	**21**	**12**	**0**	**69**	**1424**

Chancellors presiding in this circuit are: Joe M. Ingram, Robert L. Jones and James L. Weatherford.

Special 17th Chancery Division—Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Lewis	3	49	5	0	0	57	6
Perry	0	16	1	1	0	18	3
Williamson	18	110	28	0	7	163	178
Division Total	**21**	**175**	**34**	**1**	**7**	**238**	**187**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Lewis	1	4	3	6	0	0	1
Perry	0	6	2	0	0	0	1
Williamson	8	28	9	10	4	1	0
Division Total	**9**	**38**	**14**	**16**	**4**	**1**	**2**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Lewis	0	1	1	1	1	25	**82**
Perry	0	0	1	0	2	15	**33**
Williamson	2	18	1	2	13	274	**437**
Division Total	**2**	**19**	**3**	**3**	**16**	**314**	**552**

Special 17th Chancery Division—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Lewis	2	0	0	20	30	10	0
Perry	0	0	2	2	10	10	0
Williamson	22	0	28	156	81	35	32
Division Total	**24**	**0**	**30**	**178**	**121**	**55**	**32**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Lewis	0	0	0	4	0	0	**66**
Perry	4	0	0	0	0	1	**29**
Williamson	46	3	1	6	2	36	**448**
Division Total	**50**	**3**	**1**	**10**	**2**	**37**	**543**

Chancellors presiding in this circuit are: Henry D. Bell and Terry B. Larkin.

Special 28th Chancery Division—Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Anderson	27	593	106	61	9	796	67
Division Total	**27**	**593**	**106**	**61**	**9**	**796**	**67**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Anderson	2	21	26	271	0	0	2
Division Total	**2**	**21**	**26**	**271**	**0**	**0**	**2**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Anderson	7	6	5	0	35	442	1238
Division Total	**7**	**6**	**5**	**0**	**35**	**442**	**1238**

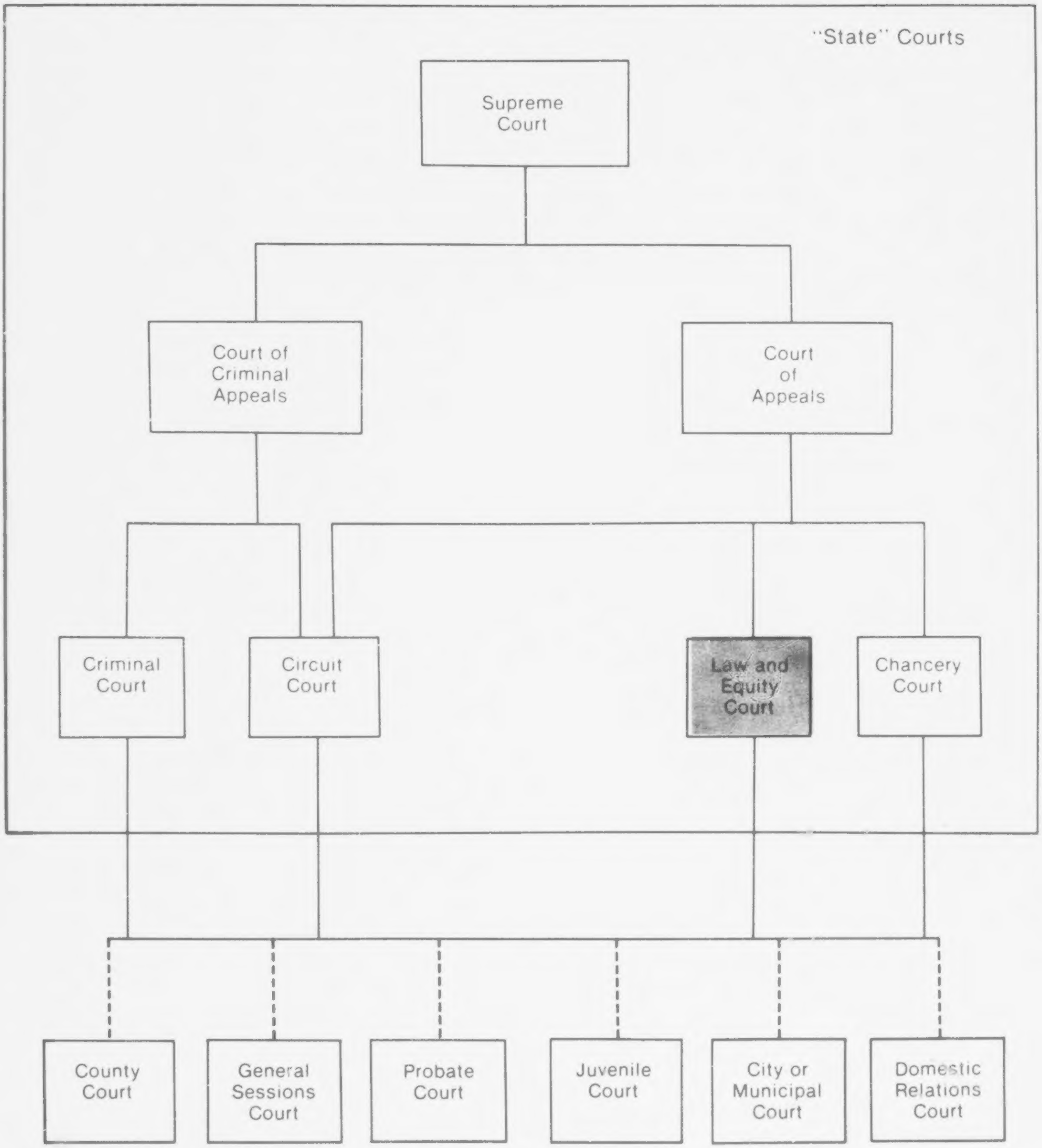
Special 28th Chancery Division—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Anderson	34	3	0	261	413	93	86
Division Total	**34**	**3**	**0**	**261**	**413**	**93**	**86**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Anderson	31	0	1	197	10	45	1174
Division Total	**31**	**0**	**1**	**197**	**10**	**45**	**1174**

Chancellors presiding in this circuit are: Whitney Stegall.

Law & Equity Court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Law and Equity Courts

Organization

The law and equity courts in Tennessee were created to satisfy two major functions: (1) to assist in the disposition of legal matters in districts where the caseload could not be handled by judicial resources, (2) to provide a general jurisdiction court whose term made it more accessible to the local populace. Currently, three counties in Tennessee have law and equity courts: Montgomery, Gibson and Dyer. It should be noted that Part II of the Sullivan County circuit and chancery courts are organized with one judge hearing both circuit and chancery cases, and are administered in much the same way as the law and equity courts in other Tennessee counties. However, this court is not a statutorily based law and equity court. See 1961 Tenn. Pub. Acts ch. 161.

Dyer County - The statute creating the Dyer County law and equity court provides that the terms shall begin on the first Monday of each month. The court has the authority to hold chambers court for the disposition of chancery causes and to promulgate court rules, but the court does not have authority to hold special terms for the disposition of law matters. 1972 Tenn. Pub. Acts ch. 863.

Montgomery County - The terms of the law and equity court in Montgomery County begin on the first Monday every January, April, July and November. T.C.A. 16-2-209(b)(1980 Supp.).

The court has the authority to hold chambers court for the disposition of equity causes, to hold special terms for the disposition of law matters and to promulgate court rules. 1965 Tenn. Pub. Acts ch. 274.

Gibson County - In Gibson County, the law and equity court is in session continuously at Trenton and Humbolt, with terms beginning the first Monday of each month at Trenton and the third Monday of each month at Humbolt. The courts have authority to hold chambers court, to hold special terms and to promulgate court rules. 1967 Tenn. Pub. Acts ch. 248; 1968 Tenn. Pub. Acts ch. 457; 1968 Tenn. Priv. Acts ch. 374.

Administration

The law and equity courts are under the supervision of the Tennessee Supreme Court in the same manner as the circuit and chancery courts. See T.C.A. 16-3-501(1980 Supp.).

In Montgomery and Gibson Counties, the clerk and master of the chancery court of the county is the *ex officio* clerk and master of all chancery cases in the law and equity court. Likewise, the circuit court clerk of the county is the *ex officio* clerk of all law cases in the law and equity court. 1965 Tenn. Pub. Acts ch. 274, secs. 7 and 8 (Montgomery County); 1967 Tenn. Pub. Acts ch. 248 secs. 6 and 7 (Gibson County). In Dyer County the county clerk is the clerk of the law and equity court. 1972 Tenn. Pub. Acts ch. 863 sec. 6.

Selection

The first law and equity judge in Gibson County was appointed by the governor. 1967 Tenn. Pub. Acts ch. 248, sec. 5. In Dyer County the first law and equity judge was the then presiding judge of the common law and chancery court of that county. 1972 Tenn. Pub. Acts ch. 863, sec. 5. The first law and equity judge in Montgomery County was elected. 1965 Tenn. Pub. Acts ch. 274, sec. 6. In each county the law and equity judges who succeed the first judges are elected to a term of eight years by the qualified voters of the county in the general election. 1965 Tenn. Pub Acts ch. 274, sec. 6. (Montgomery County first election, 1966); 1967 Tenn. Pub. Acts ch. 248, sec. 5 (Gibson County first election, 1974); 1972 Tenn. Pub. Acts ch. 863, sec. 5 (Dyer County first election, 1974).

The law and equity judges must have the same qualifications for office as circuit court judges and chancellors. 1965 Tenn. Pub. Acts ch. 274, sec. 5; 1967 Tenn. Pub. Acts ch. 248, sec. 4; 1972 Tenn. Pub. Acts ch. 863, sec. 4.

Jurisdiction

Dyer County - The law and equity court for Dyer County has jurisdiction over all chancery cases in the county. It has concurrent jurisdiction with the circuit court of Dyer County, and all cases within the jurisdiction of the circuit and law courts of Dyer County may be brought, heard and determined in the law and equity court. T.C.A. 16-2-309(1980 Supp.).

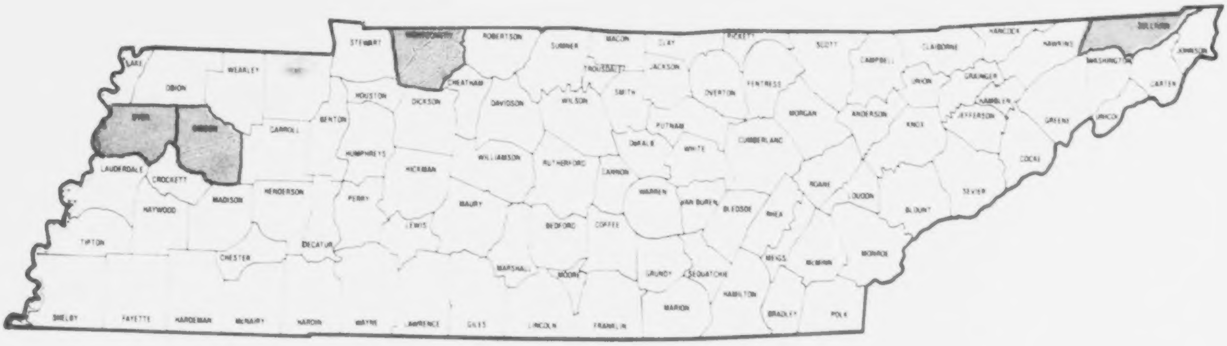
Montgomery County - In Montgomery County, the law and equity court has concurrent jurisdiction with the chancery court. T.C.A. 16-2-306(1980 Supp.). It also has concurrent jurisdiction in all civil cases with the circuit court of Montgomery County. T.C.A. 16-2-306(1980 Supp.).

Gibson County - The law and equity court in Gibson County has jurisdiction over all chancery cases for the county. It has concurrent jurisdiction with the circuit court and law court of Gibson County, and has all the common law and statutory powers of the chancery, circuit and law courts of the county. T.C.A. 16-2-309(1980 Supp.). In addition, it is provided by statute that all divorce and worker compensation cases shall be transferred from the general sessions court to the law and equity court for Gibson County, and that appeals in civil cases may be taken from the decisions of the general sessions court of Gibson County to the law and equity court in the same manner as provided by law for such appeals to the circuit court. 1968 Tenn. Pub. Acts ch. 457, sec. 1.

Procedure

In 1970, the Supreme Court adopted the Rules of Civil Procedure, which were approved by the legislature and took effect January 1, 1971. These rules govern procedure in all civil actions in the circuit and chancery courts, and in other courts such as law and equity courts, which exercise the jurisdiction of the circuit or chancery courts. Tenn. R. Civ. P. 1.

Law & Equity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Dyer County Law & Equity—Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Dyer	33	436	9	0	0	478	46
Division Total	**33**	**436**	**9**	**0**	**0**	**478**	**46**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Dyer	26	10	43	146	2	12	4
Division Total	**26**	**10**	**43**	**146**	**2**	**12**	**4**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Dyer	0	1	2	1	24	317	795
Division Total	**0**	**1**	**2**	**1**	**24**	**317**	**795**

Dyer County Law & Equity—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Dyer	1	0	10	78	330	2	1
Division Total	**1**	**0**	**10**	**78**	**330**	**2**	**1**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Dyer	68	19	0	51	0	3	563
Division Total	**68**	**19**	**0**	**51**	**0**	**3**	**563**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: Robert D. Jones.

Gibson County Law & Equity—Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Gibson	33	409	61	0	5	508	73
Division Total	**33**	**409**	**61**	**0**	**5**	**508**	**73**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Gibson	59	21	67	11	1	20	39
Division Total	**59**	**21**	**67**	**11**	**1**	**20**	**39**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Gibson	22	3	13	15	11	355	**863**
Division Total	**22**	**3**	**13**	**15**	**11**	**355**	**863**

Gibson County Law & Equity—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Gibson	26	22	9	120	268	49	56
Division Total	**26**	**22**	**9**	**120**	**268**	**49**	**56**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Gibson	57	0	5	17	10	32	**671**
Division Total	**57**	**0**	**5**	**17**	**10**	**32**	**671**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: Marion H. Holmes, Jr.

Montgomery County Law & Equity—Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Montgomery	31	315	12	238	13	609	31
Division Total	**31**	**315**	**12**	**238**	**13**	**609**	**31**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Montgomery	51	19	13	3	1	16	31
Division Total	**51**	**19**	**13**	**3**	**1**	**16**	**31**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Montgomery	8	3	0	0	11	187	**796**
Division Total	**8**	**3**	**0**	**0**	**11**	**187**	**796**

Montgomery County Law & Equity—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Montgomery	16	11	5	279	223	96	13
Division Total	**16**	**11**	**5**	**279**	**223**	**96**	**13**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Montgomery	14	0	0	0	140	15	**812**
Division Total	**14**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**140**	**15**	**812**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: Sam E. Boaz.

Sullivan County Law & Equity—Filings

County	Adoption	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS	Contracts/ Debts
Sullivan	47	847	124	121	3	1142	195
Division Total	**47**	**847**	**124**	**121**	**3**	**1142**	**195**

County	Damages/ Torts	Real Estate Matters	Wkmn. Comp./ Minor Settlement	Probate, Etc.	Appeal From Admin. Hearing	Appeal From Lower Court	Contempt Proceeding
Sullivan	215	49	92	17	1	40	62
Division Total	**215**	**49**	**92**	**17**	**1**	**40**	**62**

County	Mental Health	Special Remedy	Tax Matters	Trusts	Other Non-Domestic Relations	TOTAL NON-DOMESTIC RELATIONS	GRAND TOTAL CIVIL
Sullivan	7	26	2	3	39	748	**1890**
Division Total	**7**	**26**	**2**	**3**	**39**	**748**	**1890**

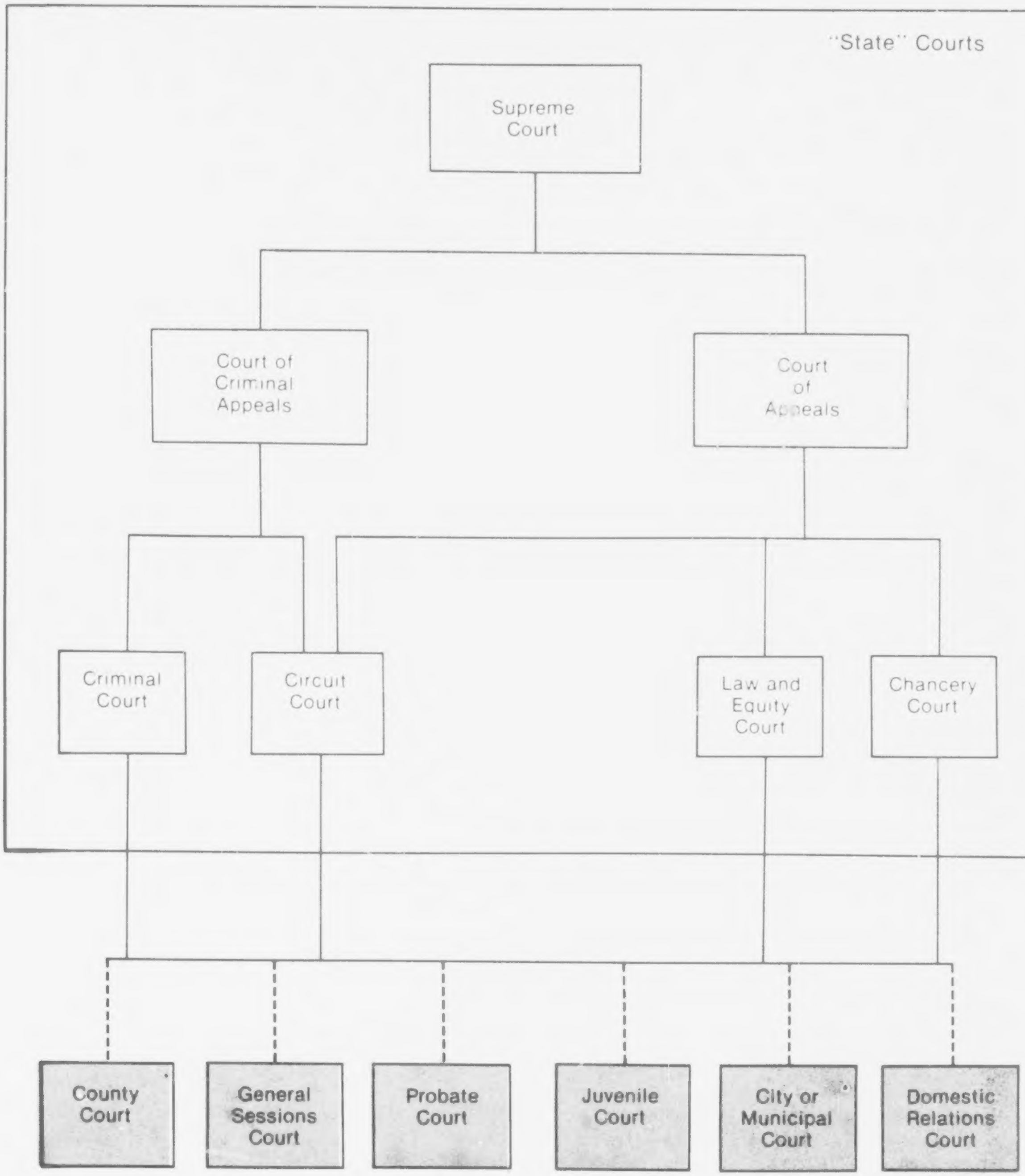
Sullivan County Law & Equity—Dispositions

County	Adoption Decree	Cite For Contempt	Default Judgment	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Judgment After Trial	Ruling On Petition
Sullivan	49	44	24	512	636	121	97
Division Total	**49**	**44**	**24**	**512**	**636**	**121**	**97**

County	Settled	Special Remedy Relief	Summary Judgment	Termination Probate, Etc.	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL DISPOSED
Sullivan	136	2	1	5	77	7	**1711**
Division Total	**136**	**2**	**1**	**5**	**77**	**7**	**1711**

Judges presiding in this circuit are: Richard E. Ladd.

Courts of Limited Jurisdiction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Courts of Limited Jurisdiction

In contrast to the upper level trial courts, the lower courts generally are not considered courts of record. This does not mean that lower courts do not keep records or dockets; it means simply that these lower courts do not keep official minutes of their daily proceedings.

Appeals from many of the lower courts are *de novo* or completely re-tried in the next level trial court as if the lower court proceeding had not taken place at all. Alternatively, appeals from the upper level trial courts are taken "on the record" without having to recall witnesses in order to resolve the case in the appellate court.

Below are the four main limited jurisdiction courts. These courts are locally funded, and many lower court variations exist in the state because of private acts.

General Sessions Court

Although a general sessions court had been created in many counties by private legislation, a general statute established this court as an alternative to the justice of the peace system in all but six counties during 1960. Many variations exist in general sessions court jurisdiction.

Under the general statute each has the civil and criminal jurisdiction formerly vested in the justice of the peace. Today, this civil jurisdiction extends to $5,000 and to $10,000 in contests for recovery of personal property. In cases of forcible entry and detainer, original jurisdiction is unlimited, but in equity cases, it is limited to $1,500.

General sessions judges have the power to issue execution on judgments entered by them. They also may issue restraining orders, and have the same jurisdiction as circuit judges or chancellors to grant fiats or writs or injunction, attachments and other extraordinary process.

The general sessions court holds preliminary hearings on criminal charges. The judge may try the case if the charge is a misdemeanor within the jurisdiction of the sessions court, if the defendant has waived his right to indictment, presentment, grand jury investigation and jury trial, or if a plea of guilty to the misdemeanor charge has been entered. Otherwise, the case is transferred to the court in that county with criminal jurisdiction.

The general sessions judge has the authority to issue all warrants and to set a bond schedule for the release of bailable prisoners. When trying a criminal case, the judge may impose a fine up to $50 and/or a jail sentence up to one year unless the crime involved specifies a longer term to be served in the county jail or workhouse. As in civil cases, disputed judgments may be appealed to a higher trial court with proper jurisdiction where the case is tried *de novo*.

Other general sessions jurisdiction varies among individual counties. Some courts have jurisdiction over municipal ordinance violations, and some counties have given their general sessions court jurisdiction in probate, juvenile, mental commitment, workmen's compensation and domestic relations matters.

Ninety-two of the 95 counties have a general sessions court. Anderson and Sevier counties have a trial justice court, which is similar to general sessions but with more expanded jurisdiction; Stewart County has neither. Approximately 115 judges preside at the general sessions level. An estimated two-thirds of these are full time and one-third are part-time, with slightly more than one-half being attorneys.

In most counties, the circuit court clerk acts as clerk of the general sessions court although a separate sessions clerk exists in some locations.

Juvenile Court

Juvenile court has jurisdiction over matters in which a juvenile is the subject of the proceeding. Jurisdiction includes petitions alleging delinquency or unruliness, proceedings of dependency and neglect, paternity suits, legitimation cases, appointment of guardians, applications for marriage by a juvenile, juvenile traffic offenses, some mental health proceedings involving juveniles and truancy cases.

In addition, juvenile court has jurisdiction over adults in the following matters: contributing to delinquency, contributing to dependency and neglect, child abuse, abandonment of a wife or children, liability of parents for actions of juveniles and offenses against a minor. Appeals from juvenile court proceedings, other than transfer to adult court, lie in circuit court where they are held *de novo*.

The juvenile court was created by Title 37, Chapter 2 of the Tennessee Code, which provides a juvenile court for each county of the state, the judge of which is the county judge or chairman of the county court in all counties except those for which a juvenile court and/or judge are specifically provided for by statute. (Please see discussion of county court below.)

County Court

County courts in Tennessee were created as local governing bodies but were also given some judicial powers. These, in effect, are vested in the county judge who primarily handles administrative duties for county government. County court jurisdiction is largely juvenile and probate. (See discussion of juvenile court above.)

The county judge has authority to probate wills and supervise the administration of estates; some probate matters may be brought in chancery court. In Shelby and Davidson counties, the probate courts are courts of record with full time judges. Statute gives the county court powers other than probate, such as jurisdiction over guardianship cases, and county court jurisdiction varies widely as a result of private acts. Some county judges have jurisdiction in divorce and adoption cases and workmen's compensation.

In 1978, Tennesseans adopted amendments to the State Constitution that altered certain aspects of county government. In implementing these provisions, the General Assembly redesignated the lawmaking division of the county court as the county legislative body (formerly called the quarterly county court). The county judge was redesignated as the county executive, the term of office was changed from eight years to four, and the age requirement was lowered from 30 years of age to 25.

In those counties where a county judge is serving an eight-year term that began in 1974, this county judge serves as the county executive, with the redesignated term and age provisions to become effective in 1982. Some counties elected a county executive to a four-year term beginning in 1978.

The legislature sought to vest in the county executive the judicial authority formerly exercised by the county judge through a provision now codified as T.C.A. 5-6-106. However, the Tennessee Supreme Court ruled this section unconstitutional in an opinion released on June 28, 1979, in the case of *Waters v. State*, 583 S.W.2d 756 (1979).

The new constitutional provision for a county executive sets his term at four years and leaves his duties to the discretion of the General Assembly, but the Court ruled that the county executive cannot lawfully be vested with the judicial powers of an inferior court because another constitutional provision requires that such inferior court judges serve an eight-year term. Therefore, the question of who serves as judge of the juvenile court and county court is in a state of flux in those counties where a county executive is serving a four-year term.

Municipal Court

A city or municipal (sometimes recorder's) court has jurisdiction over cases involving the violation of city ordinances. Generally, a city judge has the authority to assess fines up to $50 and sentences of imprisonment up to 30 days. This jurisdiction, however, varies widely from city to city. The number of such courts is estimated at over 300 throughout the state.

General Sessions Divorce Caseload Data

Filings

County	Divorce	Petitions Modifications	Reciprocal Support	Other Domestic Relations	TOTAL DOMESTIC RELATIONS
Bledsoe	51	1	0	0	**52**
Bradley	540	0	0	6	**546**
Campbell	258	0	0	0	**258**
Clay	26	0	0	1	**27**
Hamblen	102	6	0	0	**108**
Hardin	121	0	0	0	**121**
Jackson	36	0	0	0	**36**
Loudon	224	52	0	1	**277**
McNairy	164	0	0	0	**164**
Overton	90	0	0	0	**90**
Roane	403	6	0	3	**412**
Robertson	238	58	0	0	**296**
Tipton	68	0	0	0	**68**
Van Buren	22	1	0	0	**23**
Warren	275	0	0	0	**275**
White	160	0	0	0	**160**
TOTAL	**2778**	**124**	**0**	**11**	**2913**

Dispositions

County	Cite For Contempt	Dismissal	Divorce Decree	Ruling On Petition	Transferred To Another Court	Other	GRAND TOTAL
Bledsoe	0	7	40	0	0	0	**47**
Bradley	0	75	413	62	6	2	**558**
Campbell	0	24	158	0	0	0	**182**
Clay	0	6	20	1	0	0	**27**
Hamblen	0	7	80	7	0	0	**94**
Hardin	0	50	92	0	0	0	**142**
Jackson	0	6	31	0	0	0	**37**
Loudon	0	72	195	40	0	0	**307**
McNairy	0	15	122	0	0	0	**137**
Overton	0	12	46	0	0	0	**58**
Roane	8	145	294	39	0	0	**486**
Robertson	3	65	170	26	0	0	**264**
Tipton	0	5	38	0	0	0	**43**
Van Buren	0	1	16	0	0	0	**17**
Warren	0	37	214	0	0	0	**251**
White	0	17	134	0	0	9	**160**
TOTAL	**11**	**544**	**2063**	**175**	**6**	**11**	**2810**

Explanation of TJIS Case Classification Categories

Civil Filings

At the time of filing a civil action, the filing attorney or officer is responsible for specifying the type of charge or action involved in the case. Court clerks report these filings to the Office of the Executive Secretary through the Tennessee Judicial Information System. An explanation of the TJIS case classification categories follows:

Domestic Relations

Adoption. Includes all cases involving child adoption proceedings.

Divorce. Includes all cases involving the termination of a marriage, permanent separations between a husband and wife, and annulments.

Petitions Modifications. Includes all petitions involving the reopening or modification of divorce cases that have previously been closed.

Reciprocal Support. Includes all cases involving child support in which the case is either *sent* to another state or *received from* another state.

Other Domestic Relations. Includes cases that do not logically fit into any of the above categories. The most common examples are name changes and paternity suits.

Non-Domestic Relations

Contracts/Debts. Includes any action involving either (1) promissory agreements between two or more people that create, modify, or destroy a legal relation, or (2) recovery of a certain specific sum of money where there is no express contract to pay it. This includes recovery of money for services performed, property sold and delivered, money loaned, or damages for performance of simple contracts (expressed or implied) when the right of the parties will be adequately conserved by the payment and receipt of money.

Damages/Torts. Includes all cases involving action to recover money as compensation or indemnity for loss or injury to a person, his property, or his rights. Typical actions include personal injury, property damages suits, and unliquidated damages.

Real Estate Matters. Includes all matters pertaining to land, including contracts for the sale of land, suits dealing with ownership, foreclosure proceedings, easements, water rights, rights of way, boundary disputes, condemnation proceedings, and partitions.

Workmen's Compensation/Minor's Settlement Petitions. Includes all cases involving action to determine the right to compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Act or the amount of the award. Generally, these are actions arising from the injury or death of a workman in the course of his employment and extend to the provision of security for the workman's dependents.

Probate/Conservatorship/Guardianship. Includes all cases involving (1) probate matters (wills and settlement of estates); (2) conservatorship actions (relating to management of the estate and affairs of another who is incapable due to old age, lack of mental capacity, etc.); and, (3) guardianship actions (a term usually reserved for actions involving the estate and affairs of a minor).

Appeal from Administrative Hearing. Includes only those cases directly appealed from an administrative agency, for example, a local beer board or school board.

Appeal from Lower Court. Includes all civil cases appealed to circuit, chancery, or law and equity court from a municipal, county, juvenile, or general sessions court. All appeals to circuit court involving non-criminal traffic cases are filed as civil cases and reported here. Cases that are original to the trial level court and are appealed to the Court of Appeals or the Supreme Court are *not* reported here.

Contempt Proceeding. Includes all those actions taken to hold an individual in contempt of a court order.

Mental Health. Includes actions that determine the competency of an individual, judicial commitment or hospitalization, judicial review of transfers of the mentally ill or retarded, and restoration of competency.

Special Remedy. Includes all special proceedings, for example, injunctions, restraining orders, writs of mandamus, quo warranto, and prohibition. Criminal court actions use the special remedy under criminal filing categories.

Tax Matters. Includes all cases involving state or local tax issues. In most courts, a tax case is filed yearly and contains hundreds of delinquent taxpayers. For TJIS purposes, this can be tracked as only one case.

Trusts. Includes all activity relating to the filing and the establishment of a trust. Annual reports to the court are noted as a reopened case that is disposed of on the same day.

Other Non-Domestic Relations. Includes actions that do not logically fit into any of the prior defined categories. A common example under this category is a salary suit initiated by a court clerk.

Civil Dispositions

TJIS has 13 civil disposition categories:

Adoption Decree. Includes decrees of the court where the rights and interests of the natural parents are severed, and a legal relationship of parent and child between persons not so related by nature is created.

Cite for Contempt. Includes dispositions resulting from a party's failure to obey a court order, injunction, or decree. Also includes dispositions resulting from a party's doing of acts in disrespect of the court or its process or which obstruct the administration of justice.

Default Judgment. Includes those cases where the court enters a judgment against the defendant when the defendant has either failed to appear in court as required or has failed to properly file an answer to the petition.

Dismissal. Includes both voluntary dismissals and involuntary dismissals. Voluntary dismissals cover those cases wherein the case is dismissed by the court at the request of the plaintiff or by agreement of all parties, with or without prejudice. Involuntary dismissals cover those cases which the court dismisses on its own initiative, with or without prejudice to future proceedings. An involuntary dismissal also occurs when the court retires a case because no action has been taken on the case within a certain time frame.

Divorce Decree. Includes those dispositions that grant a final divorce or annulment.

Judgment After Trial. Includes civil cases where a trial has been held and a judgment has been entered, whether by a jury or judge.

Ruling Petition. Used to record the disposition of petitions that have been filed after the initial judgment of the case, as with petitions for modification in domestic relations cases.

Settled. Used in those cases in which the parties reach a settlement prior to trial, or, if the trial has started, prior to judgement.

Special Remedy Relief. The disposition category for those cases filed under civil special remedy.

Summary Judgment. Includes those cases where the court enters a judgment in favor of one of the parties prior to or during the trial of a case. This often occurs at the pretrial hearing. This procedure is distinguishable from a default judgment in that both parties are present.

Termination of Probate/Conservatorship/Guardianship/Trusts. Includes official court terminations of one of the above legal arrangements.

Transferred to Another Court. Includes all civil cases where the matter is transferred from one county to another or to another court with jurisdiction.

Other. Includes civil case dispositions that do not logically fit any of the above categories. Common examples of dispositions in this category are legitimations, land sales, and mental health commitments.

Criminal Filings

Under TJIS, criminal cases are divided into three general classes and 25 categories. These categories summarize a number of offenses. Where indictments are returned with multiple counts, clerks report only the most serious offense.

Offenses Commited Against Persons

Assault. Includes aggravated assault, assault, reckless conduct, and terroristic threat.

Homicide. Includes capital murder, murder, manslaughter, and criminal negligent homicide.

Kidnapping. Includes false imprisonment and kidnapping.

Non-Support. Includes all cases where a father intentionally or knowingly abandons his child or fails within his means to provide for the support and education of his child as directed by the court.

Sexual Offense. Includes rape, aggravated rape, sexual abuse, rape of a child, sexual abuse of a child, and indecency with a child.

Other Acts Against Person. Includes criminal cases that do not logically fit any of the above categories. A common example is contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

Offenses Committed Against Property

Burglary. Includes burglary, criminal trespassing, and breaking and entering.

Fraud. Includes worthless checks, forgery, credit card abuse, false statements to obtain credit or welfare, deceptive business practices, and fraud in insolvency.

Property Destruction. Includes arson, criminal mischief, and reckless damage or destruction.

Robbery. Includes robbery and aggravated robbery.

Theft. Includes petit and grand larceny, shoplifting, extortion, and theft.

Concealing and/or Receiving Stolen Property. Includes possession of items without serial numbers, transporting stolen goods across state lines, and concealing and/or receiving stolen property.

Other Acts Against Property. Includes criminal cases that do not logically fit any of the above categories.

Offenses Committed Against the Public Welfare

Bribery. Includes bribery, coercion of voters, tampering with a witness, accepting a gift from a public servant, and improper influence.

Disorderly Conduct. Includes disturbing the peace, disorderly conduct, riot, false alarm, harassment, public intoxication, obstructing a highway, and cruelty to animals.

Drugs. Includes possession or sale of dangerous, abusable, or restricted drugs, and possession of dangerous drug paraphernalia.

DWI. Includes those cases that involve the operation of a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

Gambling. Includes gambling, gambling promotion, lotteries, chain letters, pyramid clubs, and possession of gaming devices and tables.

Obscenity. Includes obscenity, public lewdness, and harmful display to a minor.

Obstructing Justice. Includes resisting arrest, evading arrest, escape, bail jumping, aiding escape, and accessory after the fact.

Perjury. Includes perjury, impersonation of a public servant, and tampering with public records.

Prostitution. Includes prostitution, promotion of prostitution, and compelling prostitution.

Weapons Possession Resale. Includes unlawful possession of a weapon, unlawful sale of firearms, unlawful transportation of firearms, and the use of a weapon in the commission of a crime.

Special Remedy. Includes all civil actions that can occur in reference to a criminal case, for example, post-conviction petitions, petitions of habeas corpus, etc.

Other Acts Against Public. Includes criminal case filings that do not logically fit any of the above categories. Common examples are vagrancy, liquor offenses, and driving with a revoked license.

Criminal Dispositions

For purposes of caseload reporting, there are 10 possible judgments in a criminal case.

Acquittal. The defendant is found "not guilty" after trial.

Convicted After Trial. The defendant is found guilty after a trial by jury or judge.

Guilty Plea. The defendant has pled guilty, including a plea of nolo contendere.

Remanded to General Sessions. The defendant, after having been brought before the criminal court, is later returned to the general sessions court for action.

Special Remedy Relief. Approval of criminal filing category special remedy relief.

Transferred to Another Court. The criminal case is transferred to another county, state, or court.

Unapprehended Defendant. This category can be used if the defendant failed to appear when required, left the state without permission, or was unavailable for trial. A case using this category is placed in a closed status until apprehension allows reopening of the case. Where courts have given formal aproval to use this disposition, reporting is generally not done until after 90 days from the date of filing.

Nolle Prosequi. Used when the district attorney general terminates a case.

Other. Includes criminal cases that do not logically fit any of the given categories. Common examples are cases retired, abated by death, and mistrial.

1970-1980 Census Comparison

Rounded to nearest 100 persons

			Change, 1970 to 1980	
County	1970	1980	Number	Per Cent
Tennessee	**3,923.000**	**4.590.900**	**6.679**	**17.0**
Anderson	60,300	67,300	7,000	11.6
Bedford	25,000	27,900	2,900	11.6
Benton	12,100	14,900	2,800	23.1
Bledsoe	7,600	9,500	1,900	25.0
Blount	63,700	77,800	14,100	22.1
Bradley	50,700	67,500	16,800	33.1
Campbell	26,000	34,800	8,800	33.8
Cannon	8,500	10,200	1,700	20.0
Carroll	25,700	28,300	2,600	10.1
Carter	43,300	50,200	6,900	15.9
Cheatham	13,200	21,600	8,400	63.6
Chester	9,900	12,700	2,800	28.2
Claiborne	19,400	24,600	5,200	26.8
Clay	6,600	7,700	1,100	16.6
Cocke	25,300	28,800	3,500	13.8
Coffee	32,600	38,300	5,700	17.4
Crockett	14,400	14,900	500	3.4
Cumberland	20,700	28,700	8,000	38.6
Davidson	447,900	477,800	29,900	6.6
Decatur	9,500	10,900	1,400	14.7
DeKalb	11,200	13,600	2,400	21.4
Dickson	22,000	30,000	8,000	36.3
Dyer	30,400	34,700	4,300	14.1
Fayette	22,700	25,300	2,600	11.4
Fentress	12,600	14,800	2,200	17.4
Franklin	27,300	32,000	4,700	17.2
Gibson	47,900	49,500	1,600	3.3
Giles	22,100	24,600	2,500	11.3
Grainger	13,900	16,800	2,900	20.8
Greene	47,600	54,400	6,800	14.2
Grundy	10,600	13,800	3,200	30.1
Hamblen	38,700	49,300	10,600	27.3
Hamilton	255,100	287,700	32,600	12.7
Hancock	6,700	6,900	200	2.9
Hardeman	22,400	23,900	1,500	6.6
Hardin	18,200	22,300	4,100	22.5
Hawkins	33,800	43,800	10,000	29.5
Haywood	19,600	20,300	700	3.5
Henderson	17,400	21,400	4,000	22.9
Henry	23,700	28,700	5,000	21.0
Hickman	12,100	15,200	3,100	25.6
Houston	5,900	6,900	1,000	16.9
Humphreys	13,600	16,000	2,400	17.6
Jackson	8,100	9,400	1,300	16.0
Jefferson	24,900	31,300	6,400	25.7
Johnson	11,600	13,700	2,100	18.1
Knox	276,300	319,700	43,400	15.7
Lake	8,100	7,500	−600	−7.4
Lauderdale	20,300	24,600	4,300	21.1

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Rounded to nearest 100 persons

County	1970	1980	Change, 1970 to 1980 Number	Per Cent
Tennessee	**3,923,000**	**4,590,900**	**6,679**	**17.0**
Lawrence	29,100	34,000	4,900	16.8
Lewis	6,800	9,700	2,900	42.6
Lincoln	24,300	26,500	2,200	9.0
Loudon	24,300	28,600	4,300	17.6
McMinn	35,500	41,900	6,400	18.0
McNairy	18,400	22,500	4,100	22.2
Macon	12,300	15,700	3,400	27.6
Madison	65,800	74,500	8,700	13.2
Marion	20,600	24,400	3,800	18.4
Marshall	17,300	19,700	2,400	13.8
Maury	44,000	51,000	7,100	16.1
Meigs	5,200	7,400	2,200	42.3
Monroe	23,500	28,700	5,200	22.1
Montgomery	62,700	83,300	20,600	32.8
Moore	3,600	4,500	500	13.8
Morgan	13,600	16,600	3,000	22.0
Obion	30,200	32,800	2,600	8.6
Overton	14,900	17,600	2,700	18.1
Perry	5,200	6,100	900	17.3
Pickett	3,800	4,400	600	15.7
Polk	11,700	13,600	1,900	16.2
Putnam	35,500	47,600	12,100	34.0
Rhea	17,200	24,200	7,000	40.6
Roane	38,900	48,400	9,500	24.4
Robertson	29,100	37,000	7,900	27.1
Rutherford	59,400	84,100	24,700	41.5
Scott	14,800	19,300	4,500	30.4
Sequatchie	6,300	8,600	2,300	36.5
Sevier	28,200	41,400	13,200	46.8
Shelby	722,100	777,100	55,000	7.6
Smith	12,500	14,900	2,400	19.2
Stewart	7,300	8,700	1,400	19.1
Sullivan	127,300	144,000	16,700	13.1
Sumner	56,300	85,800	29,500	52.3
Tipton	28,000	32,700	4,700	16.7
Trousdale	5,100	6,100	1,000	19.6
Unicoi	15,300	16,400	1,100	7.1
Union	9,100	11,700	2,600	28.5
Van Buren	3,800	4,700	900	23.6
Warren	27,000	32,700	5,700	21.1
Washington	73,900	88,800	14,900	20.1
Wayne	12,400	13,900	1,500	12.0
Weakley	28,800	32,900	4,100	14.2
White	16,300	19,600	3,300	20.2
Williamson	34,400	58,100	23,700	68.8
Wilson	37,000	56,100	19,100	51.6

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Appellate Court Officials

Court	Judges	Clerks
Supreme Court	Ray L. Brock, Jr. Chief Justice William H.D. Fones Robert E. Cooper William J. Harbison Frank F. Drowota, III* Supreme Court Building Nashville, Tennessee 37219 *Replaced Joseph W. Henry who died June 9, 1980	Middle Division/ Ramsey Leathers Eastern Division/ John Parker Western Division/ Jewell Redden
Court of Appeals	Henry F. Todd Herschel P. Franks Samuel L. Lewis Ben H. Cantrell Lewis H. Conner, Jr. Supreme Court Building Nashville, Tennessee 37219 James W. Parrott Clifford E. Sanders Houston Goddard Supreme Court Building Knoxville, Tennessee 37902 Kirby Matherne Charles E. Nearn Paul R. Summers Hewitt P. Tomlin, Jr. Supreme Court Building Jackson, Tennessee 38301	same as above

Court	Judges	Clerks
Court of Criminal Appeals	Charles H. O'Brien Martha Craig Daughtrey Allen R. Cornelius, Jr. Jerry Scott Supreme Court Building Nashville, Tennessee 37219 Joe D. Duncan John K. Byers Supreme Court Building Knoxville, Tennessee 37902 Mark A. Walker Robert K. Dwyer Lloyd Tatum Supreme Court Building Jackson, Tennessee 38301	Middle Division/ Ramsey Leathers Eastern Division/ John Parker Western Division/ Jewell Redden

Trial Court Officials by Jurisdiction

Judicial Circuit	Judge	County/Clerk
1st Civil	Jack R. Musick 620 Woodland Drive Elizabethton, TN 37643 Ed E. Williams, III Ashe Street Courthouse Johnson City, TN 37601	Carter/Luther McKeehan Johnson/Dean Stout Unicoi/Gregory Masters Washington/Tommy Dillow
1st Criminal	Arden Hill Route 6, Box 626 Elizabethton, TN 37643	same as civil
2nd Civil	William R. Holt, Jr. 228 Court Avenue Sevierville, TN 37862 J. Kenneth Porter 609 W. Broadway Newport, TN 37821	Cocke/Mickey F. Lovell Grainger/Lois Phillips Hancock/Scott F. Collin Jefferson/Alberta F. Jones Sevier/Helen Loveday Union/Lena Mae Tharpe
2nd Criminal	J. Kenneth Porter 609 W. Broadway Newport, TN 37821	same as civil
3rd Civil	George S. Child T. Edward Cole James M. Haynes Chester R. Mahood City County Building 420 Main Avenue Knoxville, TN 37902	Knox/Lillian Bean
3rd Criminal	George P. Balitsaris Richard R. Ford Joseph J. Nigro was replaced 1/81 by John J. Duncan, Jr. City County Building 420 Main Avenue Knoxville, TN 37902	Knox/Helen Randles
4th Civil	Don T. McMurray Box 542 Lenoir City, TN 37771	Loudon/Billy Joe Akins Roane/Charles Snow
4th Criminal	Eugene E. Eblen P.O. Box 220 Kingston, TN 37763	same as civil
5th Civil	Thomas H. Haile Haile Building 215 Reagan Street Cookeville, TN 38501	Clay/Fannie R. Gribble Cumberland/Ralph Baisley Overton/Billy H. Cook Pickett/Ransome Clark Putnam/Lewis Coomer White/Thomas Rowland
5th Criminal	Leon C. Burns, Jr. 16 S. Washington Avenue Cookeville, TN 38501	same as civil
6th Civil	H. Ted Milburn Samuel H. Payne Robert M. Summitt David Tom Walker Hamilton County Courthouse Chattanooga, TN 37402	Hamilton/Judy Medearis
6th Criminal	R. Campbell Carden Joseph F. DiRisio Russell Hinson Hamilton County Justice Building Chattanooga, TN 37402	Hamilton/Leon Haley
7th Civil	Gerald L. Ewell, Sr. Box 166 Manchester, TN 37355	Coffee/Maurice E. Jones DeKalb/Frances J. Lockhart Van Buren/Dorris Dukes Warren/Claude Vinson
7th Criminal	same as civil	same as civil
8th Civil	Wilkes Coffey, Jr. lost 8/80 election to Joseph S. Daniel Suite 202 Court Square Building Murfreesboro, TN 37130	Cannon/Robert Davenport Rutherford/Robert Suddarth
8th Criminal	same as civil	same as civil

Trial Court Officials by Jurisdiction

Judicial Circuit	Judge	County/Clerk
9th Civil	Thomas Boyers, III 2nd Floor Sumner County Courthouse Gallatin, TN 37066	Montgomery/Carrie H. Heath Robertson/Ann Mathews Stroud Sumner/Mahailiah Hughes
10th Civil	Hamilton Gayden, Jr. Harry S. Lester Joe C. Loser, Jr. Stephen North James M. Swiggart Benson Trimble Metro Courthouse Nashville, TN 37201	Davidson/George Rooker
10th Criminal	A.A. Birch, Jr. John L. Draper Raymond H. Leathers Metro Courthouse Nashville, TN 37201	Davidson/John Lashlee
11th Civil	Joe M. Ingram Courthouse Columbia, TN 38401 Robert L. Jones Maury County Courthouse P.O. Box 462 Columbia, TN 38401 James L. Weatherford P.O. Box 411 Lawrenceburg, TN 38464	Giles/Alice Foster Lawrence/Gerald Wilson Maury/Carolyn P. Williams Wayne/Elmer Lutts
11th Criminal	same as civil	same as civil
12th Civil	Andrew T. Taylor Gene Walker Madison County Courthouse Jackson, TN 38301	Chester/Odell Hatch Henderson/Bobby Dyer Madison/Joe B. Gaffney, III
12th Criminal	same as civil	same as civil
13th Civil	Dick Jerman, Sr. was replaced 3/81 by Dick Jerman, Jr. P.O. Box 1 Alamo, TN 38001	Crockett/Casey Hughes Gibson/Carolyn Satterfield Haywood/Rooks Jeffries Henry/Randall Myers
13th Criminal	same as civil	same as civil
14th Civil	Phil B. Harris 110 Broad Street Greenfield, TN 38230	Obion/Karen Robertson Weakley/Charles Bell
14th Criminal	same as civil	same as civil
15th Civil	James Friel Hastings (Julia Gibbons, interim judge) Alan E. Highers Charles O. McPherson William W. O'Hearn Irving M. Strauch Shepperson A. Wilbun 140 Adams Memphis, TN 38103	Shelby/Clint Crabtree
15th Criminal	James C. Beasley Arthur T. Bennett John P. Colton, Sr. L. Terry Lafferty H. T. Lockard Joseph B. McCartie Bernie Weinman William H. Williams 157 Poplar Memphis, TN 38103	Shelby/James A. Blackwell
16th Civil	Herman Reviere 194 S. Washington Ripley, TN 38063	Fayette/Jimmie German Hardeman/Linda K. Fulgham Lauderdale/Don Connell McNairy/Ed Kirk Tipton/Doris McKenzie
16th Criminal	same as civil	same as civil

Trial Court Officials by Jurisdiction

Judicial Circuit	Judge	County/Clerk
17th Civil	Henry D. Bell Box 392 Franklin, TN 37064 Terry B. Larkin P.O. Box 220 Centerville, TN 37033	Hickman/Jim Rice Lewis/Curtis A. Lindsey Perry/Roy D. Kilpatrick Williamson/Joe Herbert
17th Criminal	same as civil	same as civil
18th Civil	Thomas A. Greer, Jr P.O. Box 547 Dunlap, TN 37327 Paul A. Swafford P.O. Box 757 Jasper, TN 37347	Bledsoe/Alton Dill Franklin/W.B. Boswell Grundy/Sue Bouldin Marion/Herman B. Killian Meigs/Edwin K. Jennings Rhea/Rhea Garrison Sequatchie/Dreafus Lewis
18th Criminal	same as civil	same as civil
19th Civil	Conrad Troutman, Jr 122 W. Central Avenue La Follette, TN 37766	Campbell/Clarence D. Miller Claiborne/Bill DeBusk Fentress/Gwenith Duncan Morgan/Russell Scott Scott/Irene C. Chitwood
19th Criminal	Lee Asbury P.O. Box 66 Jacksboro, TN 37757	same as civil
20th Civil	Roger E. Thayer 225 W. Center Street Kingsport, TN 37660	Sullivan/Raymond Winters
20th Criminal	James E. Beckner Rt. 2, Box 354C Morristown, TN 37814	Greene/Billy Carter Justis Hamblen/Herbert Collins Hawkins/Jack Purkey
21st Civil	Leonard W. Martin Box 266 Charlotte, TN 37036	Cheatham/Lloyd Harris Dickson/Bobby Allen Houston/Cora Sue McMillan Stewart/Margie Page
21st Criminal	Leonard W. Martin Box 266 Charlotte, TN 37036 Joseph H. Spencer retired 1/31/80 and was replaced by Robert E. Burch P.O. Box 158, Courthouse Charlotte, TN 37036	same as civil
22nd Civil	James L. England P.O. Box 67 Decaturville, TN 38329	Benton/Barbara Rowlette Carroll/Richard Simmons Decatur/Charles Kindle Hardin/Kenneth Davis
22nd Criminal	same as civil	same as civil
23rd Civil	Robert J. Parkes P.O. Box 715 Fayetteville, TN 37334	Bedford/James F. Atnip Lincoln/Jimmy Pendergrass Marshall/Jack Fagan Moore/Sarah Hope
23rd Criminal	same as civil	same as civil
24th Civil	William M. Dender Drawer E Etowah, TN 37331	McMinn/Norma Corn White Monroe/Issac Stephens Polk/Sula Jenkins
24th Criminal	James C. Witt Route 5 Madisonville, TN 37354	Bradley/Joe Talley McMinn/Norma Corn White Monroe/Issac Stephens Polk/Sula Jenkins
25th Civil	Willard Hagan Wilson County Courthouse Lebanon, TN 37087	Jackson/Doy Wilson Macon/Fred Stephen Smith/Carolyn Grisham Trousdale/Woodrow Russell Wilson/Jimmy C. Martin

Trial Court Officials by Jurisdiction

Judicial Circuit	Judge	County/Cerk
25th Criminal	Robert H. Bradshaw P.O. Box 1 Hartsville, TN 37074	same as civil
26th Criminal	Edgar P. Calhoun Sullivan County Courthouse Blountville, TN 37617	Sullivan/Raymond Winters
27th Civil	John K. Wilson Box 826 Greeneville, TN 37743	Greene/Betty Carter Justis Hamblen/Herbert Collins Hawkins/Jack Purkey
28th Civil	James B. Scott, Jr. Anderson County Courthouse Clinton, TN 37716	Anderson/Tom Alderson
28th Criminal	same as civil	same as civil
29th Civil	Earle G. Murphy Room 207 Bradley County Courthouse Cleveland, TN 37311	Bradley/Joe Talley
30th Civil	James H. Jarvis Blount County Courthouse Maryville, TN 37801	Blount/Enoch B. Simerly
30th Criminal	John C. Crawford, III P.O. Drawer D Maryville, TN 37801	same as civil
31st Civil	Joe G. Riley, Jr. 115 Lake Street Ridgely, TN 38080	Dyer/Tom Jones Lake/James Naifeh
31st Criminal	same as civil	same as civil

Chancery Division	Chancellor	County/Clerk & Master
1st	Dayton E. Phillips died October 23, 1980 and was replaced by R. Leon Jordan Ashe Street Courthouse Johnson City, TN 37601	Carter/Lloyd Perry Johnson/Wade Taylor Sullivan/Clara Bowyer (Kingsport); Nancy Dixon (Blountville); Ralph Harr (Bristol) Unicoi/Billie Peterson Washington/Diana Boarman
2nd	Billy Joe White P.O. Box 254 Tazewell, TN 37879	Campbell/Bill Archer Claiborne/Thomas O. Shumate Hancock/Patricia Collins Hawkins/Shirley Graham Loudon/Lloyd Black Morgan/Kathleen Buxton Roane/Marietta Roberts Scott/Odie Phillips
3rd	Howell N. Peoples Hamilton County Courthouse Chattanooga, TN 37402 Wilkes T. Thrasher, Jr. Hamilton County Courthouse Chattanooga, TN 37402	Hamilton/Robert W. Summar
4th	Scott Camp retired 5/1/80 and was replaced by Vernon Neal 1 South Jefferson Avenue 1st Tennessee Bank Building Cookeville, TN 38501	Clay/J. H. Reneau Cumberland/Charles Phipps DeKalb/Sam A. Love Fentress/Ralph D. Love Jackson/Estelle Spivey Overton/Dorothy Stanton Pickett/Amon Jolley Putnam/Charles C. Vaughn White/Lynda McCoy
5th	Tyrus Cobb P.O. Box 247 Shelbyville, TN 37160	Bedford/Howard H. Barton Lincoln/Mrs. Odell Posey Marshall/Mary Green Moore/Mary B. Parks

Trial Court Officials by Jurisdiction

Chancery Division	Chancellor	County/Clerk & Master
6th	Alex W. Darnell Montgomery County Courthouse Clarksville, TN 37040	Cheatham/Doris Sanders Dickson/Nancy Miller Hickman/Hattie Lou Lambert Houston/Billy Sid Vinson Humphreys/Juanita Quarles Montgomery/Virginia Marshall Robertson/Kenneth Hudgens Stewart/Ruby Martin
7th	Robert B. Brandt C. Allen High Ben Cantrell was appointed to the Court of Apeals in 9/80 and was replaced by Irving C. Kilcrease Metro Courthouse Nashville, TN 37201 Probate Judge Shelton Luton	Davidson/Christina Norris
8th	Aaron C. Brown P.O. Box 128 Paris, TN 38242	Benton/Norma Pettyjohn Carroll/W.C. McConnell Decatur/Nell England Henderson/Robbie Wallace Henry/Albert Pierce
9th	Robert S. Thomas 164 N. Main Street Ripley, TN 38063 Dewey C. Whitenton P.O. Box 303 116 Warren Street Bolivar, TN 38008	Chester/Cannon Hall Crockett/June Horner Fayette/Joy G. Rosser Hardeman/Marion Nuckolls Hardin/Edwin Ledbetter Lauderdale/Floyd Starnes McNairy/Fairy R. Hunter Tipton/J.A. Bringle
10th	D.J. Alissandratos Wil V. Doran Robert A. Hoffman 140 Adams Memphis, TN 38103	Shelby/John T. Robertson
11th	Len G. Broughton, Jr. Frederick McDonald 420 Main Avenue Knoxville, TN 37902	Knox/David Cate
12th	Earl H. Henley McMinn County Courthouse Athens, TN 37303 Lawrence F. Stewart Winchester, TN 37398	Bledsoe/Hortense Colvard Bradley/Reginald Hyberger Coffee/Mrs. Cleo Raugh Franklin/Dorothy Hunter Grundy/Fritz Mayes McMinn/Lee Vesta Grubb Marion/Cory Sharp Meigs/Martha Gallaher Steele Monroe/Judith B. Lee Polk/Ben Witt Rhea/Tennga Conner Sequatchie/Sara Goins Van Buren/Delma Dishman Warren/Fern McGhee
13th	Chester S. Rainwater, Jr. P.O. Box 388 Dandridge, TN 37725	Blount/James A. Carroll Cocke/Virginia Cureton Jefferson/Sarah Reel Sevier/Peggy Marshall
14th	Joe C. Morris Madison County Courthouse Jackson, TN 38301	Madison/Ann Payton
15th	William H. Inman Courthouse Morristown, TN 37814	Grainger/Lois T. Jackson Greene/Polly Solomon Hamblen/Jean W. Jones Union/Bernice Sexton
16th	Homer W. Bradberry Courthouse Dresden, TN 38225	Lake/Roy W. Smith Obion/Paula Rice Weakley/Angeline F. Damron
17th	Edward M. Turner 219 Main Street Carthage, TN 37039	Macon/Jon Wells Smith/Thomas Amonette Sumner/Fred Durham Trousdale/Gaynell Deering Wilson/Perry H. Johnson

Trial Court Officials by Jurisdiction

Chancery Division	Chancellor	County/Clerk & Master
Special 8th	Whitney Stegall Rutherford County Courthouse Murfreesboro, TN 37130	Cannon/Lois W. Gilley Rutherford/Joe Ann Arnold
Special 11th	Joe M. Ingram Courthouse Columbia, TN 38401	Giles/Jesse McNeese Lawrence/Francis Freemon Maury/Shirley Napier Wayne/Elmer Richerson
	Robert L. Jones Maury County Courthouse Columbia, TN 38401	
	James L. Weatherford P.O. Box 411 Lawrenceburg, TN 38464	
Special 17th	Henry D. Bell Box 392 Franklin, TN 37064	Lewis/S.B. O'Guin Perry/Roy D. Kilpatrick Williamson/Janice Jordan
	Terry B. Larkin P.O. Box 220 Centerville, TN 37033	
Special 28th	Allen V. Kidwell Anderson County Courthouse Clinton, TN 37716	Anderson/Forest Bridges

Law & Equity Court	Judge	Clerk & Master
Dyer County	Robert D. Jones Courthouse Dyersburg, TN 38024	Latta Richards Jere Bradshaw (County Court Clerk who serves a clerk for law division)
Gibson	Marion H. Holmes, Jr Courthouse Trenton, TN 38382	Shirley McGill (Trenton) Evelyn Glisson (Humboldt) Carolyn Satterfield (Circuit Clerk who serves as clerk for law division)
Montgomery	Sam Boaz P.O. Box 702 Clarksville, TN 37040	Virginia Marshall
Sullivan	Richard E. Ladd Courthouse Briston, TN 36720	Clara Bowyer (Kingsport); Nancy Dixon (Blountville); Ralph Harr (Bristol)

This is a current list of judges, clerks and clerks and master. Some of these officials were not in these positions in 1980.